

## Palestinians cancel meeting with German minister

OKUPIED JERUSALEM (AP) — Palestinian leaders from the occupied territories Wednesday cancelled a meeting with German Foreign Minister Klaus Kinkel because of his refusal to meet with Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) officials during a stopover in Tunisia Tuesday. "We didn't want to give the wrong impression that we accept an alternative leadership to the PLO," explained Ziad Abu al-As, an adviser to the Palestinian delegation to the Middle East peace talks. Mr. Kinkel, who started a one-day visit to Israel Wednesday, stated it was the Palestinians' loss, adding: "I have told the Palestinians that I will talk to them here. I won't have talks with the PLO in Tunisia. I won't be pressured." During his visit to Israel, Mr. Kinkel met with Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres and other officials. Mr. Kinkel said Germany would support Israel's push for greater economic ties with the European Community. He also urged German companies to invest in the Jewish state and promised German help in the job training of Jews immigrating to Israel.

## King decorates princes, officials, military judges

AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Wednesday bestowed royal medals on a number of prominent Jordanian personalities in appreciation of their distinguished efforts in the course of carrying out their various duties. Al Nahda Medal of the first order was conferred on Prince Raad Ben Zeid, the Chief Royal Chamberlain, and Prince Ali Ben Nayef, the King's private chamberlain.

## 2 guerrillas killed in S. Lebanon

BEIRUT (Agencies) — Two guerrillas were killed on Wednesday in South Lebanon in an attack on a hilltop position held by the Israeli army and its allied militia, security sources said. An Israeli soldier was wounded in the assault, which drew retaliatory Israeli artillery fire on the edges of the town of Nabatieh and the surrounding area, the sources said.

## Defiant Bhutto arrested

RAWALPINDI, Pakistan (AP) — Police arrested former prime minister Benazir Bhutto on Wednesday after she and supporters broke through police barricades to lead a banned anti-government protest. About 200 police surrounded Ms. Bhutto and took her into custody along with other political leaders who support her bid to oust the government of Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif.

## U.N. team ends mission in Baghdad

BAGHDAD (R) — U.N. inspectors left Baghdad Wednesday after what they called a "successful" 10-day mission and carried samples of water and sediments to be analysed to see whether Iraq was carrying out any clandestine nuclear activity. "We had a very useful inspection," chief nuclear inspector Dimitri Periccos told reporters at the end of the United Nations' latest inspection tour of Iraq.

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Any reconciliation in Somalia has to be under the auspices of the United Nations," said Mr. Mahdi, who owned hotels, poultry farms, automobile agencies, several industries and banana plantations in Somalia. "The Arab League, the Non-Aligned Movement (NAM), the Organisation of African Unity (OAU) and all others who might be interested in Somalia could take part in the process; not as participants or mediators but as observers," he said.

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## Majali blames Israel for lack of progress at peace talks

WASHINGTON (Petra) — Chief Jordanian negotiator at the Arab-Israeli peace negotiations Wednesday expressed deep regret over the failure of the peace process to achieve tangible progress. "There has been no tangible progress on any of the Arab Israeli (negotiation) tracks," Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali said in a press statement following a general meeting by heads of Arab delegations to the talks. "Out of our deep faith in the peace process, the Arab parties involved in the negotiations have decided to pursue the process and continue the negotiations in the coming sessions, regardless of the Israeli intransigent position," said Dr. Majali.

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Meanwhile, Israel said Syria's demand for total Israeli withdrawal from the Golan Heights was "a recipe for stalemate." Israeli negotiator Itamar Rabinovich said the Syrians were unwilling to provide any details

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# Home News

## Amnesty frees foreign workers from fines

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PRINCESS BASMA AWARDS HANDICRAFTS DIPLOMA IN KARAK: Her Royal Highness Princess Basma Wednesday made a tour of the Karak region where she inaugurated a number of social development projects undertaken by the Queen Alia Social Welfare Fund (QAF). The Princess supervised the distribution of in-kind assistance to 23 needy families and urged local community leaders and organisations to give due attention to improving social services to local citizens with special care to women and children. The Princess, who is honorary chairperson of QAF's board of trustees visited the settlements of Faqooq at the outset of her tour in the company of local officials and Karak Governor Radi Ibrahim.

## JD 205m telecommunications programme announced

**AMMAN (Petra)** — Minister of Post and Communications Jamal Saraih Wednesday announced the government's approval of a five-year telecommunications expansion programme which is expected to cost JD 205 million.

The government has given its consent to the implementation of the wide ranging programme between 1993 and 1997 enabling the Telecommunications Corporation (TCC) to extend telephone services to most regions of the kingdom, said the minister at a press conference. Under the programme the TCC will provide telephone services to an additional 180,000 new subscribers and will transform the existing manual telephone service into an automatic service in numerous regions of the country, Mr. Saraih said.



Jamal Saraih

There is no doubt that the programme will give impetus to the socio-economic development of the Kingdom, the minister added.

This particular programme was to have been implemented over the past few years but has been delayed due to the economic crisis that faced the Kingdom which made financial allocations impossible, the minister pointed out.

The TCC, a state monopoly, which came into being 21 years ago, currently provides automated telephone services to 275,000 subscribers while its semi-automated network serves some 10,000 other subscribers, according to TCC officials.

The TCC needs to increase its network capacity by 280,000 lines by the year 2010, so as to meet the growing demand on telephone services in Jordan. According to Minister Saraih, the five-year programme will create 15,000 jobs for engineers, technicians, administrators and maintenance workers and will raise the ratio of telephones per capita to 11:100, up from 7.7:100 at present.

The programme entails the installation of 20 new main telephone exchanges and 100 local smaller exchanges, said the minister. At least 500 towns and villages are expected to benefit from this expansion programme, the minister added. Amman will acquire some 120,000 new lines.

Mr. Saraih said that the TCC has already acquired a \$15 million loan from the Jeddah-based Islamic Development Bank to help finance part of the project.

The TCC has presently prepared a new telephone directory which will be available to subscribers at the start of next year at the cost of JD 3.5 a copy.

## University of Jordan celebrates King's 57th

**AMMAN (Petra)** — A celebration was held Wednesday at the University of Jordan to mark His Majesty King Hussein's 57th birthday. The ceremony was presided over by University President Ghazal Ghazal, who addressed the audience, praising the King's leadership and the role of the university in the development of the country.

The celebration included a parade of students in traditional Jordanian dress, a musical performance by the university's band, and a display of the King's portrait. The event was held in the presence of university officials, faculty members, and students.



Fawzi Ghazal

In the northern city of Irbid, Hawwara Basic School for Girls marked the King's birthday with a celebration which included exhibitions, speeches, poetry recitals and dances.

The celebration was attended by several Lower House of Parliament members, the Balqa governor and officials.

Meanwhile, a team representing the University of Jordan celebrated the King's birthday at the Royal Court. The team presented His Majesty King Hussein with a bouquet of flowers on behalf of the university's staff.

## Escoude, jazz guitarist extraordinaire

By Jean-Claude Elias  
Special to the Jordan Times

**AMMAN** — Christian Escoude is coming to town. For all jazz lovers this certainly sounds like Santa Claus in November. For the rest, such a musician will certainly help them become acquainted with the genre.

Mr. Escoude is a jazz guitarist and an exceptional musician who has been a leading jazz performer for the past twenty years and was voted "Best European Guitarist" by Jazz Hot in 1987. He has played with John McLaughlin, Stan Getz, Michel Portal, Martial Solal, Freddie Hubbard and Bill Evans to name only a few.

A French gypsy, Mr. Escoude took up the guitar at the age of ten and turned professional by the time he was fifteen. During his career he has played many different styles from French "bal musette" to pure jazz. He performed with trios, quartets and big bands. One of his new albums "Escoude plays Reinhardt" is his accompaniment by the magnificent strings ensemble of Francois Rameau. While being a splendid tribute to the late Django Reinhardt, the performance is not a rigid copy of the great master and faithfully channels the talent, inspiration and strong musical personality of Christian Escoude.

On one track of the album, the famous "Nuages," Mr. Escoude manages to capture Mr. Reinhardt's spirit and still make his very own style prevail.

Mr. Escoude's sound is very pure. He plays both acoustic and electric guitars, never relying on sound effects like echo, delay, guitar synthesizer or electronic distortion though he has experimented with all of these. On slow numbers, he plays with unmatched sensitivity and on faster ones he shows that he is a master of the "swing." Louis Armstrong used to sing "It don't mean a thing if ain't got that swing."

The French guitarist will play at the Marriott night club on Thursday 19 November. His tour is organised by Air France, the Marriott Hotel and the French Cultural Centre in Amman, as part of the French Cultural week.

## Seminar tackles delinquency

**AMMAN (J.T.)** — Public Security Department (PSD) Director General Fadel Ali said Wednesday that despite recent efforts on the part of Jordanian organisations concerned in raising children, delinquency is growing.

Major General Ali said at the opening session of a two day symposium on the subject that juvenile delinquency has become a major concern for Jordanian society as it has now assumed numerous new forms.

According to the organisers of the seminar, the PSD and the national civil defence society (NCDS) several working papers dealing with juvenile delinquency will cover the status of the Jordanian family, juvenile delinquency and education, trials of delinquents, delinquency among minor girls, reformatory schools, rehabilitation of delinquents and other relevant topics.

In his address to the audience, the PSD chief called for intensive programmes to help educate children towards adopting good behaviour and reduce the negative attitudes among the young men and women.

He reaffirmed the role of the voluntary sector in Jordan in helping to deal with juvenile delinquency and to help stem its causes.

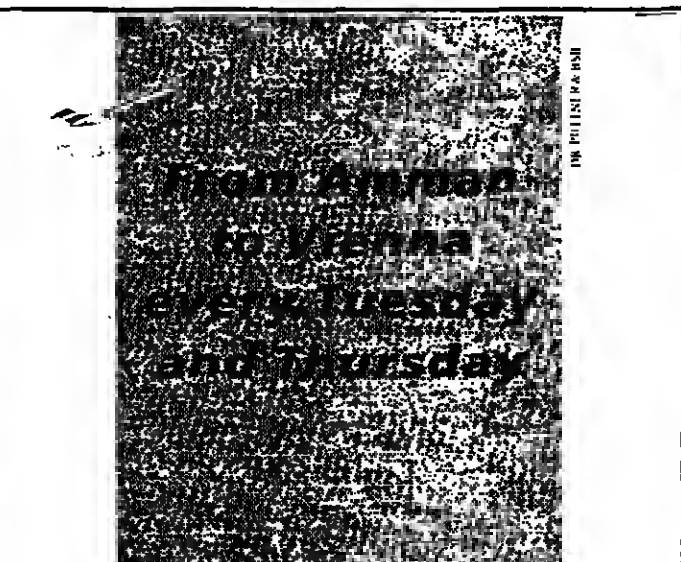
Maj. Gen. Ali urged all voluntary organisations to help the concerned government institutions like the ministries of education, social development and the Ministry of Awqaf and Islamic Affairs in combating the problem. He also thanked the NCDS for its efforts in this regard. Quite a good number of crimes in Jordan in 1991 were committed by young men according to police reports.

The PSD's official report about crime in 1991 revealed that the number did not exceed 737 per 100,000 persons. But it did not give any figures as to the number of delinquents.

Maj. Gen. Ali said that Jordan enacted legislation to deal with juvenile delinquents as far back as 1954, and by the mid 1970 it created special courts for juveniles along with training courses for special police units on means of dealing with the problem.

Parliament, which is due to reconvene on December 1 is however expected to continue its reading of the press and publication law and endorse it. Addressing the swearing in ceremony, JPA President Suleiman Al Qudab expressed hope that the new addition will help boost the association's endeavours in the course of serving the Jordanian society under the new democratic stage.

The following new journalists were sworn in: Ayman Al Safadi, Munes Razzaz, Wafa Amr, Awad Al Salamati, Abdullah Tarawneh, Odeh Odeh, Khalil Abdul Salam, Samir Barhoum, Adnan Al Sukhum, Keriman Kayali, Omar Shnikat, Sameh Haandeh, Mohammad Khawaldeh, Samia Saaideh, Mohammad Hawleh, Nader Khatibeh, Mustafa Saleh, Eiman Al Sayeh, Talaat Shanaah, Yousef Shuli, Khadijah Shahwan, Hamdi Al Asfour, Isam Qadmani and Dr. Naser Kharashqa.



The Ministry of Information earlier this year presented a draft law on press and publications to the Lower House of Parliament which has yet to be approved. The new law bans any non-JPA members from writing in the local press which triggered an outcry on the part of unregistered journalists who staged sit-ins in front of Parliament last summer and submitted a memorandum demanding that the provision on unregistered journalists in the draft law be cancelled.

## Trees for peace

By Peter Saiers  
Special to the Jordan Times

**AMMAN** — In the quest to build a peaceful world, some people demonstrate in the streets, some take up arms, and others grow their hair long, move to a commune and bake their own bread. Isabel Freytag, however, traverses the world planting trees.

The 27-year-old French-born Isabel ("everybody calls me Isabel") has planted trees in 15 countries. She is presently in Jordan as part of her worldwide effort to "create a paradise on earth."

Isabel lives by her motto "peace by green" because, she argues, we are living in an increasingly polluted world, people are sick — both physically and spiritually. "People are so frustrated, they turn to guns and crime," a pure, green world is "good for the body and the soul," she said.

Earlier this year, she planted seeds throughout the Kingdom that in three years will yield at least 15,000 trees. The 80,000 seeds she is currently readying for planting next March will blossom into roughly 20,000 and 40,000 trees. "I don't work for any organisation, no ministry, no government — they're too corrupt," she said.

Armed with a masters degree in marketing, a unique philosophy and a fierce determination, Isabel offers "Jordanian businesses expertise in marketing and public relations, not to mention her impressive Filofex filled with extensive worldwide contacts. For this, "I get paid in trees," she said.



Isabel Freytag

They think I'm crazy," she admits. "After two or three weeks, they still think I'm crazy but they (begin to) trust me." She adds that she is 100 per cent "unconquerable" and deals only with people whom she trusts.

The environmentalist certainly has some sort of magnetism. During a recent interview, a dozen or so businessmen in large cars arrived at her office and stumbled over each other hoping to meet with her. She politely, but firmly, told them she did not have any time at the moment but would welcome them later. "I'm so popular because I am honest," she said.

Popular indeed. In the past six months she has been in Jordan, she has already created lucrative strategic alliances for "30 to 40" Jordanian enterprises with European and Asian companies. All the while getting paid in trees. She is selective with whom she does business. If the company has a record of being environmentally unfriendly, she slaps them on her black list. Such is the case with a large French grocery chain who contacted her recently about possible Jordanian trade partners.

After extensively researching the company, Isabel discovered the company sells ozone-depleting aerosol spray cans, although they advertised otherwise.

Isabel began planting trees in her native Burgundy at 12. Over a period of 10 years, she planted more than 200,000 trees in France, concentrating on public-use areas such as rubbish dumps. "Today, everybody can see the results," she said, waxing modesty.

Environmental success stories are her trademark. In the United States last year, she persuaded a prominent architect from Washington D.C. to donate 100 trees for planting in the toughest neighbourhood in New York City — the gang and drug-ridden area of the Bronx. The U.S. National Park Service asked her to design a garden to surround the George Washington monument; as commission, she had the Park Service plant trees on southwestern Indian reservations. Wherever else she has been — North Africa, Southeast Asia, Russia — the stories are the same.

Isabel plans on continued success in the Middle East. In some of the dirtiest areas of Aqaba, Isabel planted bougainvillea plants. In Ajloun, she plans at least 100 oak trees. For Wadi Run, palm trees are in the pipeline.

While in Jordan, Isabel is based at the Florist Damascus Rose. Owner-Rajai Tawal, commenting on Isabel's determination and frankness, said, "she gives me a headache. She is bizarre but on the other hand she's normal." Mr. Tawal has provided Isabel his nursery land in Madaba.

## HOME NEWS IN BRIEF

**Iran meets chief of U.N. emergency**  
**Tehran** — Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Velayati met Wednesday with the Chief of the United Nations Emergency Force (UNEF) in Tehran. The meeting was held in the presence of Iranian officials and UN staff.

**Prisoners released in Zarqa Free Zone**  
**AMMAN (Petra)** — The Zarqa Governorate Health Department announced that 43.5 tonnes of tomato paste and soft drinks in the Free Zone because it is unfit for human consumption. The material was destroyed in the presence of the Zarqa Governor and officials.

**calls for release of journalists in Kuwait**  
**AMMAN (J.T.)** — The Jordan Press Association (JPA) has issued an immediate release of an estimated 11 Jordanian journalists jailed or detained in Kuwait. The demand was made in a memorandum sent by Association President Suleiman Al Qudab to the foreign ministry in Amman and also to Arab international press associations and human rights organisations.

Association sources said that some of the Jordanian journalists in Kuwait were sentenced by martial courts to prison while others have been detained since the outbreak of the crisis without trial.

## HAT'S ON

### EXHIBITIONS

**Exhibition of paintings by artist Sami Fattah, 1992**  
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## Guide on the long road

FOR ITS quest to rejuvenate itself and redefine its identity, the Arab Nation is in dire need of institutes of higher education that would lead the search into our past through the use of modern scientific methods. This is not to suggest that such institutions do not exist. They do. But so many of these institutions of higher education still use archaic methods, inherited over the centuries, or only poor imitations of the Western ones.

What is really needed are universities that dedicate themselves to the study of the history of the Arabs and Islam, to the study of religion itself and to research in Arab and Muslim sociology and anthropology. Such institutions should tackle this through the use of untraditional, rather revolutionary, methods. While developing their own research and study methods, new universities can employ Western methods of scientific research to delve into and reconstruct the history of our civilisation. Students at these institutes should not be fed information or be modelled after their own professors, rather they should be confronted with big questions and be left on their own to find answers. They should further be encouraged to divorce themselves from their emotions and to examine history in a different perspective, free from the conclusions of old scholars. Students and scholars still use reference books, written hundreds of years ago, that require reexamination and rereading.

If we, Arabs and Muslims, want to escape from our current dilemma, our soul searching and quest for understanding must go deeper and must include a comprehensive and thorough reading of the past. That is why we look at and view the establishment of the Al al Bait University as being one of this country's most important achievements. If Jordan, as His Majesty King Hussein has been envisioning, is to be a model for the region, then the Al al Bait University is a watershed in this country's quest to provide the example for the nation to follow.

We are happy to see that the King has entrusted His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan to lead a body of eminent scholars from the Arab and Muslim World to build that institution and define its role and method. We are fully confident that the Prince and his fellow scholars will fulfil the King's dream by creating an institute that would become a beacon that guides scholars of Islam everywhere.

## ARABIC PRESS COMMENTARIES

AL RA'I Arabic daily Wednesday commented on the start of the seventh round of the Arab-Israeli peace negotiations in Washington, noting that Israel's policies along the various tracks with the Arab parties have not changed in any way. Israel has been trying its hand against Syria with the hope of clinching a separate agreement with Damascus, to no avail; and it has tried its hand with the Palestinians in a bid to reach a separate agreement on the autonomy rule, but did not achieve any success in that matter either, said the daily. As it continues to exercise pressure on separate parties, Israel remains intent on concluding separate deals, which can by no means achieve a lasting settlement and, therefore, can not be accepted by the Arabs, the paper said. Syria, the Palestinians and the other parties have totally rejected separate deals stressing the need for a comprehensive settlement on all fronts and therefore Israel is bound to fail in its evil attempts to split the Arabs or achieve its own selfish interests, the paper continued. It said that Jordan has been committed to coordinating plans with the other Arab parties and remains committed to helping the Palestinians attain their national aspirations. Any observer of the ongoing events and the developments in the peace process realises that it was Jordan that has been spearheading Arab efforts for a comprehensive peace that can ensure the rights of all parties, said the paper. It said that it is quite natural for Jordan to reject all forms of pressure to change its position because this country realises more than others the extent of damage to national interests that can be caused by partial solutions.

A COLUMNIST in Al Ra'i daily Wednesday bitterly criticised French Foreign Minister Roland Dumas for his conflicting statements about Iraq, noting that France can only run after its own interests and it is not interested in the lives of the starving people of Iraq. Iraq Masarweh said that Mr. Dumas, who stated in Qatar that something should be done to relieve the Iraqi people who are suffering from the sanctions, has withdrawn his statement in Kuwait, where he stressed the need for Iraq to implement all U.N. resolutions before sanctions can be lifted, said Tarq Masarweh. The writer said that such contradiction in the minister's statement can only reflect the interests of the French leadership in the Gulf area. This is an immoral attitude reflecting the French lust for looting Arab wealth regardless of the dying people and regardless of any principles, said the writer. He said that by acting in an immoral manner, the French minister is trying to blackmail the Kuwaitis to ensure continued French interests, but that if it is not in France's interests to pursue such policies in the long run. Such contradiction in France's attitude said the paper, clearly shows that France, ensnared by the so-called new world order, will continue to seek its own selfish interests through arms deals with the Gulf countries, or other means, but would not give any regard to ethics or human values.

## Professor talks on prospects of peace

# 'If the Israelis truly want peace, they must recognise the Palestinians' national rights'

By John-Lee P. Holmes

"American policy towards the peace process will not be the same after the elections, regardless of the party in power, because it will no longer be of urgent priority," said Professor of Political Science at the Jordan University Abdullah Nagrash in a recent interview with the Jordan Times.

Dr. Nagrash was answering questions on various aspects of the peace process.

Professor Nagrash, who has done extensive research on Arab political systems, international order, the Gulf crisis as well as the peace process, believes that the American electorate's signal for a focus on domestic affairs will "result in putting the peace process on the back burner of U.S. politics."

"While the Democrats would perhaps be less interested, neither party will have a reason for an urgent effort on the peace process. The U.S. always has an interest in a peaceful settlement — but it will by no means be the top priority," believes Dr. Nagrash.

Such a prospect does not bode well for a process which Prof. Nagrash views as having cast its nets only very shallowly into the waters of peace.

On the issue of a genuine implementation of United Nations resolutions 242 and 338, Dr. Nagrash considers "little, too little, progress in truly accepting these resolutions as a basis for negotiation" to have been made since the head of the Palestinian delegation, Haidar Abdul Shafi, bit the bullet and announced Palestinian acceptance of a period of autonomy as a transitional stage to statehood a year ago in Madrid. Dr. Abdul Shafi had previously deemed such an autonomy stage of two to three years, followed by another negotiation process, as an "unreasonable" concession.

Since this acceptance by the Palestinians' top negotiator, there has been little movement of significance, said Dr. Nagrash. This is rooted in the problem

that, while the Israelis have claimed acceptance of 242 and 338 as a basis for negotiations, in fact "the resolution itself will be a subject of negotiation since Israel only wishes to emphasise the withdrawal of forces from some territories without accepting the Arab insistence that 224 and 338 require and imply a total withdrawal. It will be difficult for the Israelis as well as the United States to accept the Arab interpretation of these resolutions." Instead, he believes that the U.S. and Israel will try to enforce their own rendering.

Accordingly, Dr. Abdullah Nagrash views the military clashes in South Lebanon and the occupied territories, preceding the February 1992 talks and taking place during the latest negotiations, as an indication of Arab weakness, politically and militarily, vis-a-vis the Israeli adversary. "Such actions are a method to further pressure the Arabs to accept the Israeli point of view, their interpretation of the resolutions, their strategic and political vision for the region," said Dr. Nagrash.

Included in this "vision" Dr. Nagrash counts an Israeli desire to be recognised as an accepted regional power, to control certain strategic areas and water resources, and to avoid having its cities experience significant Palestinian population growth. Ultimately, and as part of this, the Israelis seek to avoid the problems involved in directly administering the Palestinians while intending to continue indirect management of the trajectory of Palestinian policy, added Dr. Nagrash.

But "most importantly," he stressed, "the Israelis wish to gain great benefits from intervention in and access to the region, especially in terms of their economy. They would like access to the region for their goods and services and especially for investment, particularly in the Gulf region." However, he insisted, "if the Israelis truly wanted

peace, they must recognise the Palestinians' national rights and ultimately their right to statehood."

"While a true and equitable solution would be difficult in the beginning, Palestinians must be given the opportunity and both peoples should try to reconcile themselves. There is no way for Israel to live forever without accepting the Palestinians' national rights and their identity. The struggle for this identity will dominate the Palestinians forever," Dr. Nagrash said.

The Israelis' own sense of peoplehood became focused during the twentieth century in the form of the Zionist ideology. If Zionism "at first sought the ideal way to achieve its dream by acquiring land and colonising it, it may no longer be the best approach due to a myriad of regional and international variables," Dr. Nagrash added.

He said that "the Zionist ideology" has updated its methods for achieving its goals. "By de-emphasising the core of its theory, 'acquire land and colonise it,' and instead redirecting policy towards infiltration of the vital economic, political and cultural centres of the area," Dr. Nagrash believes the Israelis are attempting "to integrate themselves" into the region.

Accordingly, while "Shamir understands Zionism in terms of land, Rabin considers it in terms of political influence: a greater role in the region and in the world." This is also tied up with the perennial Israeli concern with security. However, Dr. Nagrash said that this was no longer "security" in the physical or military sense; rather it was a psychological phenomenon.

Israel is very powerful, with its security achieved at the strategic and operational level. At the psychological level, Israel will never feel secure. Rabin endeavours to give the Israelis security through peace, but without significant territorial concession."

In reference to Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, Dr. Nagrash recalls that, with the exception of Lebanon, Israel fought all its wars against the Arabs under the leadership of the Labour Party.

"Rabin wants to project the image of a peacemaker," said Dr. Nagrash, "but he also wishes to emphasise that he is the guardian of Israel's interests more than the others (Israeli leaders). It is difficult to do both at the same time."

Professor Nagrash, adding that "if you want peace you must make concessions," elaborated that to conserve the interests of Israel alone would mean complications for the Israelis if they genuinely recognise the interests of the Arab states as legitimate and the Palestinian case as one of a people who have rights.

Yitzhak Rabin's distinction between "political settlements," as those outside the Golan Heights, East Jerusalem and the Jordan River Valley, and the "security" settlements, within those areas, is one which Dr. Nagrash deems merely tactical. In his analysis, there is "no difference between the settlements since all of them are related to the Israeli sense of psychological insecurity. In a way, the state of Israel itself can be considered a settlement of security."

Hence the distinction primarily serves as an expedient venue through which the Israelis continue in the negotiations. "Israel wants to achieve the most benefits possible and views the route of the peace talks as the more fruitful one, much more so than a path towards war," Dr. Nagrash said. This, in addition to the fact that Israelis feel certain constraints due to American pressure, public opinion in the U.S. and the current bipolar structure of international relations.

Arab governments, likewise, feel pressured by the current geopolitical situation to continue the negotiations process. But in the final analysis, the "talks persist because every party believes

that it has a certain obligation to continue. Even the Arabs feel obliged to go so far."

Furthermore, Dr. Nagrash agreed that some movement can be expected as the negotiations approach their endgame. He prognosticated that the Israelis will concede "a part of the Golan part of South Lebanon and will withdraw from the Golan and other population centres in the West Bank and Gaza."

"But it is also likely that this will occur under two separate agreements: one with the Jordanian-Palestinian teams and one with the Syrians and the Lebanese." This, he said, is the likely outcome of the Israeli strategy aimed at "treating every case in a different way" in order to divide Arab ranks.

The settlement of the status of Jerusalem bodes negatively for the future, said Dr. Nagrash, adding that "as an Arab Muslim, I cannot see Jerusalem not being an Arab city; Jerusalem belongs to the very soul of all Arabs and Muslims throughout the world... In the final analysis, there cannot be peace in the region and no agreement can last without a solution in which the interests of all (in the holy city) are recognised."

On the whole, the Israelis have the upper hand in these negotiations since, while Tel Aviv and Washington emphasise the need for "confidence building measures," in Dr. Nagrash's view it "is not realistic to imagine a Palestinian state as a threat to Israel... (as it) will no doubt be a weak state." Both sides will, nevertheless, have to cooperate during the interim period, he added.

Dr. Nagrash, who edited and contributed to the book Political Parties in Jordan, considers it too early to speculate on Jordan's relationship with an autonomous Palestinian state since "confederation is dependent on the status of the Palestinian state which, likewise, depends on the outcome of the current talks and the interim settlement." This settlement, in turn, hinges on the ability of the Arab parties to swing together.

The Israelis, some analysts say, hope to manoeuvre their Arab interlocutors, who seek a com-

prehensive settlement, two horns of a dilemma: the Syrians and Lebanon offered a bilateral deal, largely fulfilling Rabin's offer for the Palestinians.

Dr. Nagrash agrees, tactically speaking, that this possibility, but only a very good deal, says Syrians, their own interests and the interest non may outstrip the Palestinians in importance.

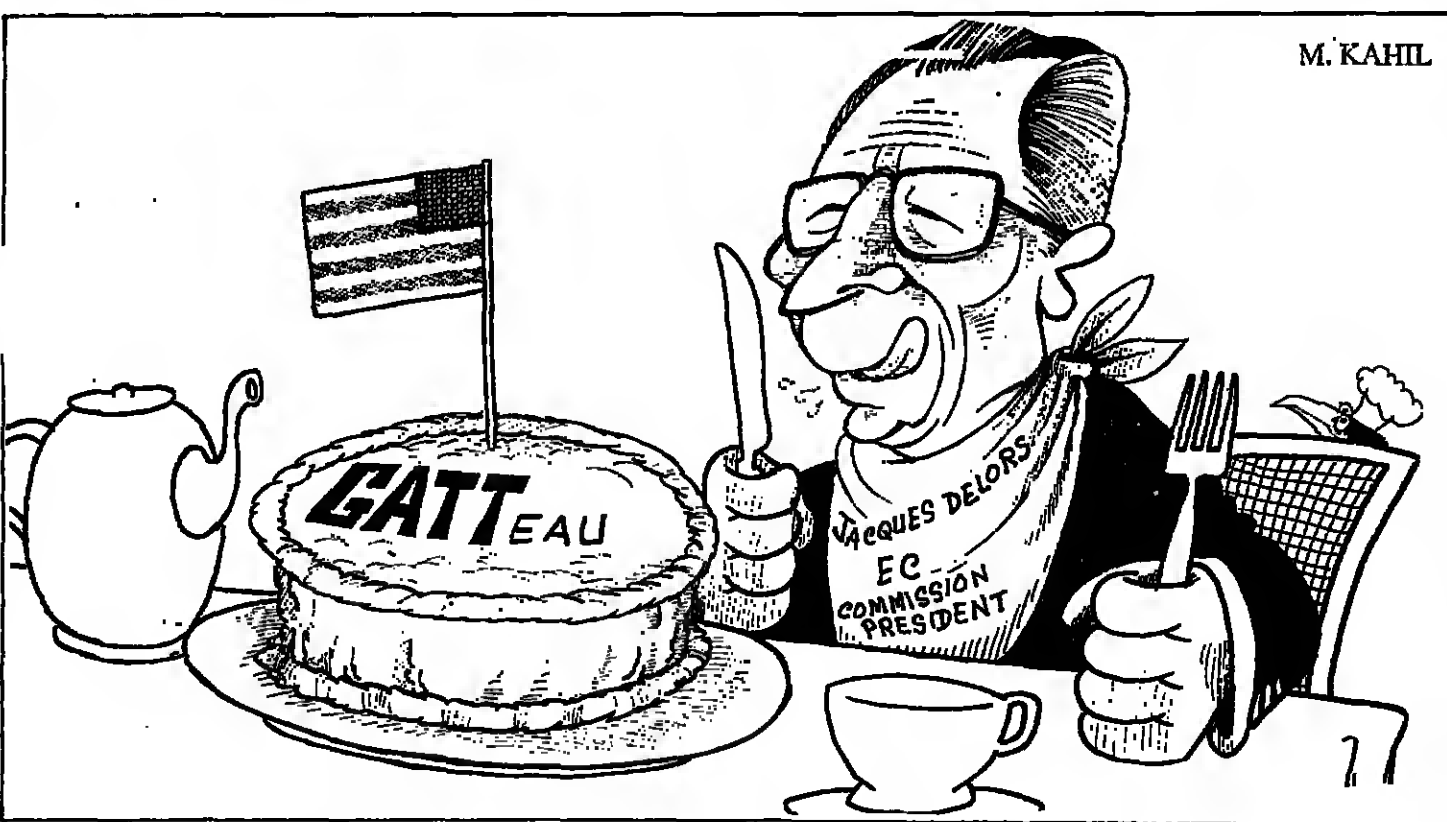
However, he believes likely that the Arabs the Israeli attempts a separate deal; the Syrians because they haven't the concessions they Israel."

In Dr. Nagrash's view, the visit of the European ministers, coupled with recent Syrian call for European (as well as American) pressure on the process, is an attempt to balance by Syrian participation in the Syrian endgame role remains important.

According to Dr. Arab World remains of the U.S. even of support for peace formula, the Arabs have been fairly by U.S. and only the permitted full

Yet Dr. Nagrash, member of hope in the present where the found of Arabs and Jews" co-existing in the future is possible for the live together, ceases to be a with a singular, ideology."

The writer is a Ph.D. international at the University of Virginia. He has contributed this article to the Jordan Times.



## Why GATT makes Greens see red

By Ben Hirschler  
Reuters

AMSTERDAM — Listen to politicians or businessmen and the message is clear — GATT must be salvaged for all our futures.

But to environmentalists, GATT is a four-letter word. For them, the world trade body represents the single biggest threat to legislation vital for protecting the environment.

While economists emphasise the \$200-billion-a-year boost the current Uruguay round of GATT talks could give the world economy by way of freer trade, ecologists see it as endorsing wrong priorities by putting free trade above all else.

"GATT effectively subordinates the environment to the market place," said Roger Wilson, political director with Greenpeace in Amsterdam.

"We have already seen situations where environmental regulations have been determined by GATT to be illegal barriers to trade and we fear this will be the trend for the future."

Environmentalists fear GATT

will be used increasingly as a weapon to attack green policies such as bans on imports of environment-damaging products.

They see the current gridlock in world trade talks — the row between Europe and America over farm subsidies — as a welcome breathing-space in which to get Green issues on the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) agenda.

"As long as we don't have a massive trade war, then I think this delay could be beneficial," said Charles Arden-Clarke, policy analyst at the Swiss-based World Wide Fund for Nature.

"If this pause gives a chance to reconsider (the environment) and do something about it, we'll certainly welcome it."

GATT did not even mention the environment when the eight round of trade liberalising talks started six years ago in Uruguay.

Campaigners say it is out of step with the growing belief that special measures are needed to protect the environment.

By overlooking the environment in their GATT talks, governments are ignoring promises

made at last June's U.N. "Earth Summit" in Brazil says Mr. Arden-Clarke.

"It's something they all signed on the dotted line... they said they would make trade and the environment mutually supportive."

Green anger at GATT boiled over last year after the trade watchdog's disputes panel ruled against a United States embargo on imports of yellow-fin tuna from Mexico and other countries.

The U.S. had enacted the law to protect the large number of dolphins caught by some fishing fleets. But GATT decided the U.S. had no right to dictate others' environmental policies.

Environmentalists say the ruling set a dangerous precedent which could torpedo other states' efforts to save animal and plant species, such as schemes by Austria and the Netherlands to ban imports of tropical timber from virgin forests.

It might even prevent future trade sanctions against states that break international environmental treaties, for example by re-mining whaling, trading in ivory or refusing to phase out ozone-

eating chemicals.

The ruling also shows GATT will oppose governments that protect domestic industries with high environmental standards from low-cost "dirty" imports.

GATT officials argue that at the end of the day, the global environment is best served by increased trade — which can only be achieved by bringing down barriers.

"Increasing trade improves our ability to invest in an protect the environment," GATT Director General Arthur Dunkel said earlier this year.

However, officials do acknowledge a growing conflict, and say trade and the environment could be central to a ninth "green" GATT round, a follow-up to the current stalled talks.

But environmentalists say they cannot wait for another series of tortuous negotiations, which could stretch into next century.

"The message we're getting is that the Uruguay round has to be business as usual for trade and we'll think about the environment afterwards. And that is simply not acceptable," Mr. Arden-Clarke said.

## LETTERS

### The social attitude a democracy in Jordan

To the Editor:

Jordan is one of the well-respected developing countries respect came as a result of the country's wise leadership and high morality of its people.

This is not new. What is new, however, is the social attitude towards the Shabbat Al Nafir Al Islami court case. Regard the many positive and negative remarks concerning the case, the very beginning, the people of Jordan stood behind the institutions without any disturbance against the judicial process. They waited calmly for the court decision. During the process, individuals and parties expressed their opinions through possible and permitted channels. No demonstrations, strikes or riots took place. Even when the judge gave a court decision, people waited, looking up for the big hour, King, to say something. The people knew well the pure quality of his personality and leadership.

Another related issue was the Gulf crisis and the ensuing The people of Jordan (especially the families of the Jordan migrant workers) suffered the most, after the people of Iraq. They (the people of Jordan) shared food, supplies, rooms, houses and many other belongings with the families of the Jordan migrant workers.

When the Gulf crisis started, most people in Jordan were eating half of what they used to eat before in order to follow the massive flow of international migrant workers crossing Jordan to their home countries, until the international community was able to bring more aid and food supplies. The same attitude of the Jordanian people towards the Gulf crisis, the public response and donations to Al Amal Cancer is another example.

I admire both the leadership and the people of Jordan for their mature understanding of peace and democracy; a democracy is deeply rooted in our traditions and understanding of the nationality and Islam; a democracy that is full with love, loyalty for each other and for our leadership, and democracy that watches for the other side to say or something wrong, then take revenge, even if the other side is a group of small children throwing stones, like what is going on in some "democratic" states in the region.

I am grateful for the wise leadership we have. I congratulate our King and leadership for the social attitude of the people towards the mature understanding of democracy and social justice. We pray to God to protect this country, the people and leadership.

Dr. Hussein Farhan,  
Sociologist, Ministry of Social Affairs,  
Amman.

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# What you see is what you get

By Jean-Claude Elias

If you are a PC (personal computer) user, how many times have you printed out a text or some graphics, only to find that the aspect of what you had on the screen was not exactly the same as what came out on paper? How many times have you had to reprint your work, and consume a lot of paper and time, until you had it the way you expected it to be?

Usually, either the shape of the characters or their size on the screen are totally different from the hard copy, i.e. the printed paper. Naturally the characters themselves remain the same, that is, if you had the word "Jordan" on the monitor/screen, the word "Jordan" will also be on the paper but not necessarily in the same size and shape. Other discrepancies between the display and the hard copy can be the margins, the line spacing or any setting of what is referred to in word processing as the "Page Setup." In the case of drawings, graphics or charts, you could end up with a printout that has other proportions than what you designed on the screen, or which is differently placed on the page.

The reason behind all this apparent nonsense is that the screen, or monitor, works (in text mode at least, as we will see further on) in a totally different way from the printer, which is obvious and easy to understand. Once you type the word "Jordan" on your display, you can make the printer produce the output in a variety of fonts (type styles and sizes of characters) and attributes (bold, italic, underline, etc.), that can be independent from the screen.

While for some computer applications, like accounting, stock control, general data bases or scientific "number crunching," the problem is much less critical, PC users, in the last four or five years, have found it a real frustration to have very powerful machines and systems that seem unable to print out exactly what they type in, when running software like word processing, spreadsheets or drawings.

Software designers have addressed the problem and come up with the concept of WYSIWYG (Yes, you have guessed: What You See Is What You Get). Another crazy acronym added to the world of personal computing. The question has become important to the point that a software house in the United States, specialising in the development of multi-lingual word processing has adopted the acronym as its company's name and obtained a registered trademark for it. In this report, the term WYSIWYG is used for the sake of the technical description and not as a company's name.

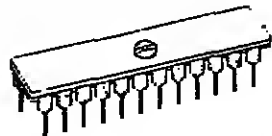
What WYSIWYG programmes do, basically, is that they

The Universal Word Processor provides proportional spacing and typewritten print quality that equals Postscript, but on a Dot Matrix printer. It is the only true WYSIWYG word processor in the IBM PC world. It supports a variety of fonts, sizes, styles, and languages.

EEEEEEEEEE БЖБ  
Underline Overline Double Underline Strikethrough  
Outline Older English Script  
Shadow Italian Gothic

Sample print quality on a printer

## chip talk



treat the screen as a drawing area, whether you are typing normal text or doing actual drawing. They work in a graphic mode. Consequently, if you type the letter J, it will appear (be drawn) on the screen exactly as you wanted it to be, all attributes considered: Shape, style, size, etc. And, most importantly, the same will be printed out on paper. If you decide to modify any of the character attributes later on, these modifications will be instantly reflected on the screen. The benefit is obvious: No more guessing games. The user knows exactly and constantly how his screen work will be, once printed on hard copy. With WYSIWYG there is an enormous savings in time and effort, and an increased productivity and work quality.

Some programmes use a feature called "Screen Preview." While not being truly WYSIWYG, they work in the standard text mode and allow the user, just before printing and upon his request, to visualise the exact shape and aspect of the printout. Most users consider this feature as a reasonable compromise. The most widely known and used WYSIWYG software system is probably the famous Windows, by the leading Microsoft company. Windows is in fact much more than a programme. It's a working environment for PC users, who can run friendly applications — spreadsheets, word processing, utilities, graphics — in a WYSIWYG format.

If WYSIWYG is a blessing for PC users, why wasn't it introduced earlier, when the PC revolution started about ten or twelve years ago? The answer is very simple: graphic techniques require fast and powerful computers that were either too expensive or unavailable before the year 1990. With the launch of the 80486 micro-processor, the drastic drop in the price of memory chips and hard disk storage, the graphic environment became affordable and fast enough to work with satisfaction. As a matter of fact, earlier versions of Windows back in 1985-1986, did not appeal to PC users who found them too slow. But the latest Windows 3.1 — with Arabic support — when used on a 486 PC is changing the way PC users look at graphic environments.

For all those who use non-Latin alphabets, Arabic in particular, the graphic mode that has been established now as a standard, is a heaven-sent benefit. All the characteristics of Arabic-like extended curves, ligatures, diacritics and right to left orientation are much better processed in a graphic WYSIWYG mode than in a regular text mode. For the few years remaining till the end of the century, it would be a safe bet to assert that the PC software industry will most likely concentrate on improving and speeding the graphic interface — Graphic User Interface, or GUI as it is sometimes referred to. After all Getting What You See is only fair and anything less would be robbery.

## To err is human

By E. Yaghi

"The recompense for an injury  
Is an injury equal thereto  
(In degree), but if a person  
Forgives and makes reconciliation,  
His reward is due  
From God: for (God)  
Loveth not those who  
Do wrong. (from the Holy Koran, Surat Shura: Verse 40)

With general amnesty for all political prisoners, His Majesty King Hussein has decided not to seek vengeance, but to turn hatred and misunderstanding into friendship by forgiveness and love. The compensation of reward is infinitely greater for it wins the good pleasure of not only fellow humans, but of God and forgiveness is the nature of a faithful believer. Since we Jordanians consider ourselves a family then the King is our father and forgiveness is the disposition of any loving and caring parent. To pardon those who have trespassed against him is one of many of the noble characteristics of our magnanimous leader.

When the amnesty was announced, there sprang a spontaneous happiness into many hearts even though most of the people anticipated, to a degree, this action because they have become accustomed to His Majesty's generosity and ethical treatment of his citizens and this is one of many reasons that he has gained the love of Jordanians. Love is an attribute that cannot be forced on the notions of anyone, for it is a feeling that is nourished in the heart and nurtured in the mind. This amnesty has been one more cause for the admiration, respect and devotion to a beloved and loving ruler. Many of those who have no relation whatsoever to any of the political prisoners expressed joy on the day of the announcement of the King's pardon. My own mother-in-law, who is a very elderly woman with a chronic heart ailment and has experienced much pain and agony in her own life, was very thrilled and excited at the King's kind action and asked God to protect and bless him when she heard the news.

The King's dedication, selfless virtue and love for people has distinguished him from other heads of state who do not arrogantly demand that his citizens heap praise on him but by his very actions and deeds has earned him the esteem and admiration that his people willingly express for him. He warrants to be loved by he in turn genuinely loves his people and his country as we have witnessed quite often, he has so bravely up to the world to defend his ideas and beliefs with wholehearted support of his people when he knew it right. He is an honourable and superb example for leaders around the globe as well as a charismatic personality that inspires many.

In the next few days, there will be some joyous reunions thanks to our King. Husbands will again see their fathers their children, parents their sons, and sister brothers. It is up to us now to begin again and to forgive our differences, overlook our class distinctions, practice tolerance for ethnic, cultural and religious differences. We must learn to think with one mind, love with one heart and stand united. If we so happen to discern a person, who can change and improve our society, we can cooperate together and work miracles. It is a peaceful effort for it is man who begins, sustains, changes his society. Our real enemies are ignorance and superstition.

"Let them forgive and overlook  
Do you not wish  
That God should forgive you?  
For God is Oft-Forgiving,  
Most Merciful. (Holy Koran, Surat Al Nour: Verse 41)

May we, the Jordanian people, continue under gracious and wise leadership of our noble King. Truly the spirit of his country, and he has taught us much being our shining and upright example and has demonstrated to us so eloquently that TO FORGIVE IS DEED.

## Changes

By Smayyah Abu Hamdiyyeh

When I was 16-years-old and still at school, I thought the world was still as perfect as I had always imagined it from all the books about idealists, moralists and heroes I had studied about. It was a great shock for me when I went to the university for the society there is a small sample of the real world out there.

As the years passed, all my views about perfect relationships and friendships turned upside down. Experience can skin a person with wisdom. I am no longer my old self. Something died in my soul and a part of me is lost forever. Is this the change that every idealist must go through to end up a realist? Must all the illusions and dreams fall apart for a person to be able to live as "a

normal human being" in our "world?" I became convinced that the "happiness" which we are all after is just like full of water balanced on the nose of a drunk man. I know why I cannot help feeling that I am like the brother caught and tried to make it swim out of the It choked and died. Maybe with time, I will feel comfortable in my father's shoes. Maybe within a day night people's coldness, indifference and cruelty will in my eyes.

I am still waiting to become one of them. Still waiting that comfort or luxury. Am I waiting for Godot? Who told me that life is fair?

The writer is a student of English literature at the University of Jordan

## JTV CHANNEL 2 WEEKLY PREVIEW

Thursday, Nov. 19

8:30 Uncle Buck

An old lady friend comes into Buck's life after so many years, and the children are not so happy.

9:10 Civil Wars

10:00 News In English

10:20 Movie Of The Week

Marian Rose White

Starring: Nancy Cartwright

Feeble-minded Marian is wrongly admitted to an institution for the handicapped. There she shows a gift for helping others and so makes it a life-time career.

Friday, Nov. 20

8:30 Too Close For Comfort

9:10 Nanni And Manni

After the boys have disappeared without a trace, the worried Sigrid alarms the magistrate, who sends out a search party. Magnus kidnaps Nanni and Manni and tries to force the location of Harald's hideout out of them.

A volcano erupts. The only safe place seems to be the cave. Harald comes to their rescue and saves his deadly enemy also. When the cave threatens to collapse, Magnus runs in wild panic. Harald succeeds in escaping with the boys. Nature outside has turned into an inferno. All of a sudden Magnus, nearly insane, appears, fixed on one idea: to kill the hated rival, Harald. But lava catches up with Magnus.

Harald's innocence can finally be proved. Soon there will be a wedding at Modruvellir and Nanni receives an offer to study abroad.

10:00 News In English



Kevin Meaney stars in Uncle Buck on Thursday at 8:30

10:20 The Antagonists

11:10 Mr. Bean

9:10 Documentary — National Geographic Special

10:00 News In English

10:20 Law and Order

The Torrents Of Greed

The prosecution of a mafia boss reveals corruption in the city government.

Monday, Nov. 23

8:30 Sibb

If Only I Had A Dad

Nora and her two sisters decide to travel to their father's home to attend his 70th birthday party and they make up with their step mother.

9:10 A Fine Romance

The Third Thin Young Woman

A young artist joins a film

Rachel publishes a short story about the family in a

crew in Malta.

10:00 News In English

10:20 Touch And Go

Pulitzer Prize-winning journalist Frank M. learns of a bizarre series of murders in which hands have been cut off. He drops his boring assignment of the presidential campaign to investigate his friend to investigate the chief it is clear that more than a string of murders. All the victims worked in the nuclear try, and the only person surviving a murder attack dying from a deadly radiation...on his hands.

Tuesday, Nov.

8:30 The Golden Girl

Older And Wiser

Dorothy convinces mother, Sofia, that appointed activities at a senior citizens keep her busy during

9:10 Maitret

10:00 News In English

10:20 When The Lion

Wednesday, Nov.

8:30 Saved By The

9:00 Spot-light

9:30 Cinedo

Fatal Distraction

10:00 News In English

10:20 The Cowra

Shimoyama will put the prisoners to escape the camp.

## ON THE LIGHTER SIDE

By Mohammad A. Shuqair

### AMAZING FACTS

- A man's heart beats eight or ten beats more each minute than a woman's.
- An ice cube will not raise the water level in a glass as it melts.
- The tongue of a giraffe measures about eighteen inches.
- The extended right arm of the Statue of Liberty is forty-two feet long.

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### LET'S CHAT IN ARABIC

- Please open this bag. Min faalak iflah al shanta.
- You'll have to pay duty on these articles. Alaik tidfa' jomrok ala hazihil aghrad.
- Please pay at the office over there. Arjook tidfa' fil-maktab honak.
- Have you any more luggage? Fee endak shonak ziyadah? Endak dolarat?
- I want to change some money. Ayez ahawwel shwayyet massari (fulous).
- I've got some traveller's cheques? Endi ba'd el-shikkat el-syahayya.
- Where's the nearest bank? Fain akhrab bank?

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### MY NAME, This is what it means

- BAHIA: Beauty and splendour.
- TAWFIK: Successfulness; good luck.
- TAISEER: Facilitation, easiness
- BORHAN: Proof; evidence.
- TOHFA (a girl's name): Valuable souvenir or trophy.
- THABIT: Firm, immovable, permanent.

### YOUR DREAMS INTERPRETED

ACCORDION: If you heard this instrument, the meaning relates to the sound; if it struck you as doleful, you may expect some sadness but not of a deep or lasting nature. If the sound was lively and bright, you will soon have a happy time. If you were playing the accordion, your love and/or personal affairs will be totally satisfactory.

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PAIN: This is usually a dream of contrary. A trivial pain is either due to a physical cause or a warning to consult a doctor. A severe pain indicates an important event which will be beneficial to you. However, a headache is a warning against confiding your private affairs to anyone.

See Solutions on page D

### PUZZLES

A More pleased am I. Behead, and up go we. Beheaded again; a reptile's plain to see.  
(Find the three words)

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B Rearrange the tangled words below to bring about five European towns:

1. ELF CRONE.
2. MADE SMART.
3. NO PENCE, HAG.
4. CABLE NORA.
5. COON LEG.

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### HUMOUR

Dentist: "What kind of filling do you want in your tooth?"  
Girl: "Ice-cream!"

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Doctor: "Open wide, please!"  
Patient: "Ah."  
Doctor: "Wider."  
Patient: "Aah!"  
Doctor: "Wider, please."  
Patient: "Aaah!"  
Doctor: "Still wider."  
Patient: "Now, look, doctor. If you are getting in, I'm getting out!"

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Father: "Name two pronouns."  
Son: "Who? Me?"

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### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Trapdoor, wolf and black widow are types of what?
2. How many American nickles make one dime?
3. How do fish sleep?
4. In which country is the escudo the unit of currency?
5. In meteorology, what is a mock sun?



## China's, Japan's cartoonists show humour contrast

By Mark O'Neill  
Reuters

less virtue and from other heads. YO — Where do the fat at his citizens heads. Buddha and the spit and deeds has. swimmer meet the Swiss miration that his rhino and Emperor variants to be low. his surveying his troops people and his binoculars? ten, he has so. In a Tokyo ideas and be. showing off the best eople when he. n to the delight of all as a charismatic.

will be some joy. mark 20 years of Sino-ese diplomatic relations s will again see its own 60th birthday. s their sons, and the Cartoonists' Associa-egin again and w. Hua Junwu, to display ok our class dis. his works alongside cultural and relig. than 100 of their own. ith one mind, the result was a fascinating o happen to. hen as an und. work miracles. improve our i who begins. enemies are ign.

## Tony Bennett pays homage to Frank Sinatra

By Ken Franchking  
Reuters

people. continue. our noble King. York — Frank Sinat- he has taught. e and the sur- TO FORGIVE. returning the compli- with a new album of his urite Sinatra songs.

it Bennett says there is more beneath the sur- of this recording — titled tly Frank — than re- ng a compliment.

world?" I became. of what Bennett has e all after is. ed from Sinatra — the e that I am. e ke it swim out. lar songs.

the whole reason I did with time, I. bum is to show young s. Maybe with. e that it's great to want rences and. e.

one of them. Sit. aining for God? e. sh literature at. think it is. beyond craft, e great writers like ne Kern, Cole Porter, e Berlin, Harry Warren ummy Van Heusen were ng poetry and were cle- ough to put them into 32

just like the golden era e impressionists, they all off each other."

He sings his own versions of 24 of the great standards.

10:00 News

10:20 Touch

Pulitzer Po. journalist. he learns of a. murders in. hands have. off. He does. boring. the presiden. his friend. ter meeting. ings of Rula Shukairy chief it is. h she exhibited some more than a. ago, and regard the murders. A. she is exhibiting now, worked in the. ed that she has changed try, and the. view. In the past she had survive a. mic view, extra-terrest- dying from a. and now it is towards the redaction.

ly her interior landscape looked as if praying to the light so that it may give form to nothingness. It was not an intellectual art, but skillful which made one think of what could be dreams of alchemy, "gleams of agate or reflections in the eyes of the Medusa".

Clear and obscure

One may be tempted to recognise, here, a baroque

Tuesday, 10:30 The

10:00 News

10:20 When

Wednesday

10:30 Saved

10:00 Sports

10:30 Check

10:00 News

10:20 The

contrast of the public humour of two neighbours who share much in culture and tradition but who have been pushed apart by history.

Hua specialises in social themes, like the plump Buddha frowning at two skinny pilgrims — representing the lazy official who instead of being ready to help petitioners, is pre-occupied with doing business instead.

In one cartoon, drawn in 1963, the swimmer sits on the side of the pool and delights in spitting into such a big target — still an apt comment on Chinese delight in exhortation, despite fines and dozens of campaigns to stop them.

Across the room, on the Japanese side, things are zanier.

The most shocking cartoon shows a giant, bearded Emperor Hirohito, surrounded by fierce generals and a tank, surveying the battle through his binoculars. In the bubble above his head is a bird, agitated by the firing.

The caption reads "scientist Hirohito," a reference to his lifetime interest in biology. He was emperor during World War II and died in 1989.

This work, by a left-wing artist last year, did not appear in mainstream newspapers or magazines, which

prefer to avoid cartoons dealing with the emperor or his family.

Other cartoons show Japan's parliament full of identical monkeys and a "swiss army rhino," with blades sticking out of its nose — a pictorial pun on the Swiss army knife.

"Hua seems so restrained," remarked one Japanese visitor. "There are no cartoons of Mao Tsetung or Deng Xiaoping. You have the feeling he has much more to say."

Hua, 77, is the first to acknowledge he works in an environment quite unlike that of his Japanese brothers. "Each country is diffe-

rent. We do not have the cartoons with sex and violence as in Japan. We do not have the freedom to create that sort of thing or to oppose the Communist Party and socialism," he said.

Hua, vice chairman of the Chinese Artists' Association, joined the Communist Party in its mountain stronghold of Yanan in 1936 and has been a prominent cartoonist ever since, with his works published in the main national newspapers.

He stopped drawing only during the radical Cultural Revolution (1966-76) when, like many present leaders, he was sent to the countryside to grow rice and raise pigs.

While Hua was publishing his earliest cartoons in his native Hangzhou in 1932, 20 Japanese set up a Cartoonists' Association in Ginza, Tokyo, with the aim of creating more unconventional cartoons.

The group was taken over by the authorities in the war and the skills of its members enlisted into the war effort.

In September 1945, just one month after the war ended, the association was re-launched and helped to create what has become the world's biggest cartoon industry.

Not only do cartoons appear in newspapers and weeklies but publishers churn

out thousands of cartoon books and magazines on every conceivable subject, from sex and violence to tax laws, medieval history and how to pass chemistry exams.

There are many theories offered to explain the fascination of Japanese for cartoons. One of them is that in a society where external conformity is essential, cartoons offer a fantasy land where the unpermitted is permissible.

Another is that daily life is too stable, so cartoons offer an alternative and more exciting world.

The role of cartoons in Communist China is far from that. Humour and satire are

the basis of cartoons in all countries but there are subtle differences in lifestyle, culture and history between countries," Hua said.

In the 1950s and 1960s, he used to satirise Western leaders, but his has become more difficult now that China has adopted a more moderate diplomacy.

"Foreign papers lampoon our leaders but we cannot do the same to theirs. If we did, people would say it was official policy. If it touches diplomatic policy, we have to be careful."

"It is not so fair on us Chinese cartoonists," he said with a laugh. "We lost out."

## New Stalin film shot on locations

By Oliver Wates  
Reuters

MOSCOW — Vladimir Lenin sits half-crippled in his Kremlin rooms, Josef Stalin lies dying in his dacha and the most prominent victims of his reign of terror walk to their squalid deaths along real KGB prison corridors.

Stalin, a new U.S. film about the Soviet dictator, is the first to take advantage of the arrival of democracy in Russia to gain access to some of the actual sites.

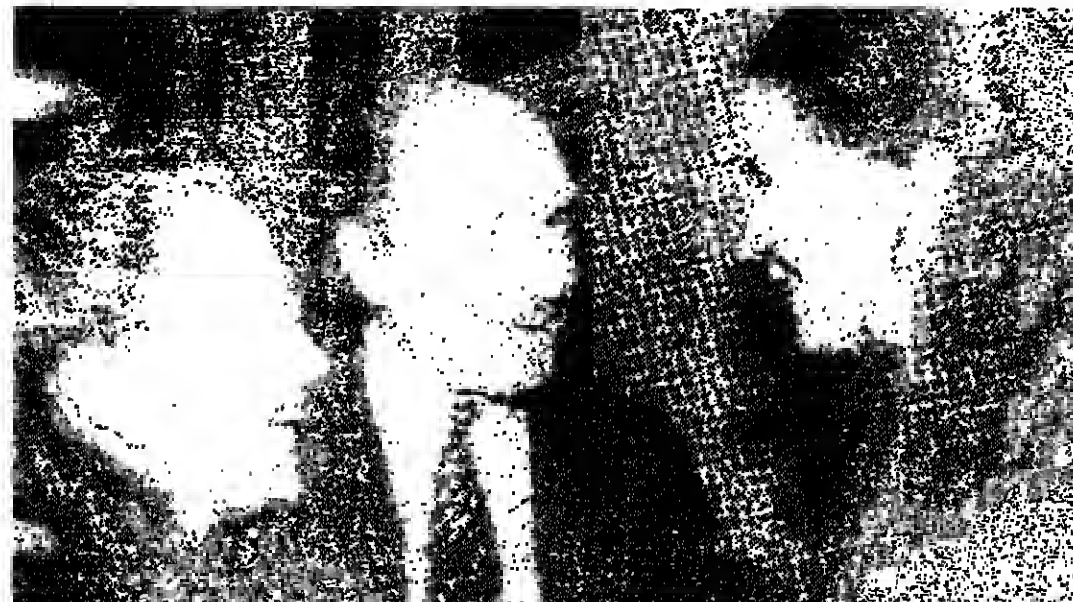
American Robert Duvall, who heads the international cast, slept in Stalin's bed at the dacha — or country house — at Kuntsevo outside Moscow where the dictator spent his last years.

Glittering halls in the Kremlin and other palatial buildings around Moscow were thrown open to the cameras.

Grigory Zinoviev, Lev Kamenev and Nikolai Bukharin were shot in the gloomy vaults of the Butyrki Prison, as close to the real site, the infamous KGB secret police headquarters at the Lubyanka, as the film-makers could get.

The film, produced by U.S. pay-television giant Home Box Office (HBO), was given its world premiere in Moscow, on the 75th anniversary of the Communist Revolution which eventually brought Stalin to power.

Russian Vice-President Alexander Rutskoi was among several hundred people at the screening of what historian Dmitry Volkogonov, who advised the produc-



Actor Robert Duvall, with his daughter Nancy Korze (left), talks with Julia Ormond, who co-starred in the movie as Stalin's wife, at the premiere of the film Stalin in Moscow

ers, said was "an American perspective" on Stalin's life.

Covering the period from 1917 to Stalin's death in March 1953, the film focused on his family life from the point of view of first his wife Nadya and then his daughter Svetlana.

"We made a deliberate choice to tell this movie through Stalin's personal life," producer Mark Carlinier told a new conference. "We felt it was impossible to tell a story about a man who kills 40 million people ... it's too monstrous."

Russian critics could find plenty to object to.

Secret police chiefs Lavrenty Beria, Genrikh Yagoda and Nikolai Yezhov seemed at times more like music-hall parodies than the butchers of millions of inno-

cent people.

Some Russians would find Maximilian Schell's Lenin, doddering and almost a figure of fun, or Daniel Massey's wild-eyed Lev Trotsky hard to believe.

A well-known Moscow park was too clearly identifiable for "Siberia." And the interjection of some choice Russian obscenities — the film was otherwise in English with Russian subtitles — sent gasps through the auditorium.

But despite its obvious Hollywood parentage, Stalin seemed to go down reasonably well and Duvall's powerful, sinister performance won praise all round.

"I watched the film with pleasure," Rada Adzhubei, daughter of Stalin's successor Nikita Khrushchev, commented afterwards. "It is

very good that such films are shown because everything gets forgotten very quickly, especially by the young."

"Of course for Russians and people of our generation who lived through it and know a lot about it, it's rather primitive," she told Reuters. "If you know where they lived, what they ate, it is all a bit embellished. But in this case I don't think that matters."

"For the Russian intelligentsia, well it was a little bit funny, a collection of common old wives' tales," her husband Alexei Adzhubei, former editor of the daily Izvestia, added.

"It was more complicated, more terrifying and more incomprehensible," he said. "This (the film) is primitive for us, but it is good that the Americans have done it."

## Artists change the ordinary into something new

By Graham Heathcote  
The Associated Press

SOUTHAMPTON — A man's necktie. Rubber boots. An ashtray, a tub of Q-tips and a bank note painted red and framed. Yes, some modern art is hard to understand.

"It is difficult, just as the technology of the world around us is hard to understand," said Nicholas De Ville, a lecturer in visual arts who organised an unusual show at Southampton University's John Hansard Gallery.

The 15 artists from six countries who are represented in the show turn everyday objects, such as a jar of preserves or a steel locker, into something new, either by changing them or simply by displaying them on their own.

The university building next to the gallery is concerned with computer-chip manufacturing. If I was trying to understand what is going on in there I would have as much difficulty as an ordinary person in the art gallery," De Ville said.

"Both require a late 20th-century education to understand the significance of what is being done. There is no way round it. It's important for art galleries to show what is going on now, just as people in schools and colleges are computer literate. That's part of a sophisticated cul-

ture.

"Art like this is purposely a provocation as to what art is. The intention is not to turn people off but to try to persuade them to ask questions," said De Ville of Goldsmiths' College, London University.

"The sense of what is real and what is representation is becoming more difficult in our culture. We see catastrophes on television coming into our living rooms as if we were at the scene."

Take one of these artists, the American Haim Steinbach, who exhibits a shelf with a cereal box and two wooden hat molds. He presents these objects as a kind of sculptural relief. Because we see them in an art gallery we have to change our frame of thinking about them.

"We also have to consider that a traditional painting or sculpture may have taken years to make and is a repository of value that a cereal packet is not," De Ville said.

"The elements we see in everyday life have little or no value but when they are put together on a shelf in a museum they assume significance. First, the artist is confronting the notion of value and precious objects."

Second, the value of everyday objects becomes more than their monetary value because we are infusing them with our memories of

them and their place in the domestic scene.

The southampton show is called, Refusing To Surface: Art And The Transfiguration Of The Ordinary.

"I think of Refusing To Surface as a reference to artists who because they don't paint or sculpt in the traditional sense, refuse to put themselves in the historical categories of art. Their works are problematic," De Ville said.

"In making art which is so close to the everyday they are rejecting the normal position of the avant-garde, which is to stand on a high point and look down on culture. Instead they are embedded deeply in the culture, using everyday artifacts for their art."

De Ville said Andy Warhol's treatment of everyday objects was different from that of the artists in the new show because "he changed scales and there is a kind of manipulation in his work. He silk-screened brillo boxes and put them on larger boxes and some of his images of Mao are very large. ... But here, then Tony Carter paints a bank note red, his brush marks change the quality of the object itself and make it surreal. That is the artist's job."

The show's centrepiece is the earliest work, a toy globe which French artist Yves

Klein painted bright blue in 1959 and called Blue Earth.

"There are two strands to the globe," said Stephen Foster, the gallery director. "One is that Klein took something ordinary and by changing it with paint he gave it mystical significance. By putting it in an unusual context as here, in a display case, he gave it humour as well."

Klein, a jazz pianist and judo instructor who had no formal art training, was one of the foremost artists after World War II to challenge accepted ideas.

Klein, who died in 1962, produced pictures with a blowtorch and directed nude models to press their paint-covered bodies against a plain canvas and he once exhibited empty rooms in Paris.

"These artists take something to which we wouldn't give a second thought and change it in some way to make it something new," said Foster.

"Guillaume Bijl of Belgium takes a set of shelves and puts everyday objects on them, including flatirons. There's a flatiron tradition in Belgium. But Bijl's flatirons were imported from Taiwan for use as flower vases. So Bijl is celebrating bad taste and his art is in choosing the objects so that wit and humour comes through."



Tony Bennett

including Night and Day, Time After Time, Here's That Rainy Day and Last Night When We Were Young that Sinatra recorded at one time or another. He's backed only by his regular trio, which gives the session a club-like feel, nothing like the orchestral sound Sinatra has favoured.

"Frank dominated the whole era that I came from," says Bennett, who skipped school as a kid to hear Sinatra sing at the Paramount Theatre.

Bennett, who is 66, says he got some tremendous feedback about the recording in September when sitting down front in Radio City Musical Hall for Sinatra's most recent New York concert.

"Frank was swinging away on stage. At one point, he told the audience: 'I'm very worried tonight because there is a very romantic guy sitting next to my wife. Not only is he my favourite singer



Frank Sinatra

and best singer of popular song, but he is my best friend."

"On a nightly basis, he mentions me throughout the world. He made his audience come to see me, to hear this guy he kept talking about. He has actually helped my business throughout the years."

Bennett, who has recorded 91 albums, compiled a special collection last year called Forty Years: The Artistry Of Tony Bennett. He has so much fine material under his belt that Columbia/Sony asked him to put together another boxed set for 1993.

It will be a compilation of his art songs, Bennett says, including Lazy Afternoon. Soon It's Gonna Rain, some of the classic compositions by jazz pianist Bill Evans and things Bennett recorded on composer Alec Wilder's public radio show. "It won't be the pop hits, it will be a salute to the best of music," Bennett says.



Rula Shukairy

tured and stratified, as well as organic, because it is free and can reroute just like a climbing plant.

This timidity to take a decision reflects without doubt a concern whether to take shelter in emotion or to melt in the universe like the artist Zen, yesterday in space and today on earth. And in this mineral world which Shukairy appropriates, there is installed a harmony and an equilibrium between the empty and the full, between the near and the distant, between blotches and lines, between a single colour and multi-colours.

However, there is no real break between the works of yesterday and those of today, because as it appears to me they are all made more for inspection and satisfaction than for contemplation.

And if you ask me why I love the paintings of Shukairy, ask me also why one loves precious stones, and why I love particularly the night sky of June above Amman.

The writer is the Director of the French Cultural Centre in Amman

## Rula Shukairy or the baroque abstraction

By Noel Favrelliere

MAN — If we recall the chief it is. h she exhibited some more than a. ago, and regard the murders. A. she is exhibiting now, worked in the. ed that she has changed try, and the. view. In the past she had survive a. mic view, extra-terrest- dying from a. and now it is towards the redaction.

ly her interior landscape looked as if praying to the light so that it may give form to nothingness. It was not an intellectual art, but skillful which made one think of what could be dreams of alchemy, "gleams of agate or reflections in the eyes of the Medusa".

Clear and obscure

One may be tempted to recognise, here, a baroque

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of the exhibited paintings by Rula Shukairy at the French Cultural Centre



# Study: Mammograms do not save lives of women under 50

By Jeffrey Ulbrich  
The Associated Press

TORONTO — A new Canadian study shows that although annual mammograms do improve detection of breast cancer, early detection and treatment do not decrease the mortality rate for women under 50.

The Canadian national breast screening study tested 90,000 Canadian women, ages 40 to 59. The major finding of the first seven years of the study is that no reduction in mortality in the 40-49 age group can be attributed to mammography.

## screening.

Forty is the usual age at which women begin having breast X-rays to screen for cancer.

The initial results of the study, funded by the National Cancer Institute of Canada and the Canadian Health Department, were published in the Canadian Medical Association Journal.

It is the largest study to date in North America.

"There is no evidence, either from this study or other studies, that mammograms save lives in women under the age of 50," said study chief Dr. Anthony Mil-

ler, chairman of the Department of Preventive Medicine at the University of Toronto.

"But in nearly every study, there is good evidence that mammograms save lives in women over the age of 50."

Two American health organizations reacted cautiously to the research, saying the implications needed more analysis.

"Until those implications are determined, representatives from the National Cancer Institute and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention urge women to follow current screening guidelines or to seek the advice of

their physician," those organizations said in a statement.

"Screening by mammography remains the single most effective method to detect breast cancer in its early, most curable stage."

But Dr. Miller, asked if his study meant that early treatment of breast cancer failed to reduce mortality, said: "In this particular age group we are talking about... it doesn't seem to, at least in the first seven years."

Dr. Miller also suggested some American women are having mammograms needlessly.

"In some parts of North America, women are being

deceived about the benefits of mammography," he said, without elaborating.

The study will be updated after 10 years.

Dr. Martin J. Yaffe of the Department of Medical Biophysics at the University of Toronto emphasized the study should "not deter women who think they have breast cancer from having a mammogram."

Dr. David Beatty, executive director of the National Cancer Institute of Canada, noted: "This should not be treated as the definitive answer from this study. This is the first major report of

this study. It should not be seen on its own."

The study looked at two groups of women with no previous history of breast cancer — more than 50,000 aged 40 to 49 and almost 40,000 aged 50 to 59.

Half in each group received annual mammograms plus physical breast examinations. The remainder were given physical exams only. All women were encouraged to perform monthly breast self-examinations.

In the 40-49 group, more cases of breast cancer were detected among those who had mammograms — nearly four cases per 1,000 women,

compared to 2.5 per 1,000 in those not given X-Rays.

More women from the mammogram group died of cancer after seven years — 38 versus 28, but researchers said the difference is not considered statistically significant.

For those aged 50-59, the addition of mammography more than doubled the number of breast cancers detected. "But it had no impact on the rate of death from breast cancer," the study said.

"At seven years, the total number of deaths from breast cancer was virtually the same" — 38 among women

who received mammograms, 39 those who did not have in both groups.

Dr. Elizabeth Kae Canadian Cancer Society her organization would advise women older to have X-ray two years, plus physicals and examination.

Some experts fear Canadian data is skewed because of even quality of mammography over the course of study. The technology improved greatly; a study was initiated

# Researchers locate gene that increases risk of melanoma

By Paul Rabeurn  
The Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO — Researchers have located a genetic abnormality that

sharply increases people's risk of getting melanoma, one of the most severe forms of skin cancer, according to a recent study.

Other studies suggest that

the same gene may also play a role in leukemia, and certain forms of brain and lung cancer, researchers said.

Researchers stressed that the discovery does not yet

offer any help for patients with melanoma.

But they said that it may be possible in a few years to test for the gene and identify people at high risk, who can then

take protective measures — such as avoiding excess exposure to sunlight — to lower the risk. Too much sun is known to increase the risk of melanoma.

The discovery marks only the second time that scientists have identified an inherited susceptibility to a common form of cancer, said the director of the new study, Mark H. Skolnick of the University of Utah.

The first was made about two years ago in breast cancer, Dr. Skolnick said.

The new discovery marks an important step toward untangling the tangled knot of genetic and environmental factors that cause melanoma and possibly other forms of cancer, researchers said.

Normally, people face ab-

out a 1 per cent risk of developing melanoma, Dr. Skolnick said. People carrying the melanoma abnormality have about a 50 per cent risk, he said.

The findings were reported by Dr. Skolnick and his collaborator, Lisa Cannon-Albright, at the annual meeting of the American Society of Human Genetics. A published report appeared in the journal Science.

The melanoma abnormality is located on Chromosome 9, one of the 23 chromosome pairs that carry human genes.

Earlier reports had linked melanoma and a premelanoma condition to a genetic abnormality on Chromosome 1, but other researchers have failed to confirm that link.

It is possible that the

Chromosome 1 abnormality is linked to some but not all cases of melanoma, said Jane Fountain of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In a separate report at the meeting, Dr. Fountain showed evidence that the newly discovered abnormality may be involved in all cases of melanoma.

"It's the first big stab at melanoma," Dr. Fountain said. "We definitely have something that's critical."

Dr. Fountain's research also links the abnormality to leukemia, to certain brain tumors called Gliomas, and to one form of lung cancer.

And in a third report, Elizabeth Petty and colleagues at Yale University have found an unusual genetic

rearrangement in a with melanoma that support to the importance of the abnormality on some 9.

"I find it exciting that lines of evidence now each other," said Dr. Skolnick.

Dr. Skolnick said his colleagues have located the location of the Chromosome 9 abnormality, it is now a straight job to pluck out the study its function.

Researchers suspect gene may turn out to they call a tumour suppressor. That is, when it is functioning normally, it

the growth of tumours, but when it is mutated it fails to against tumour grow

# Enzyme-blocking drug prevents heart attacks — study

By Randi Hutter Epstein  
The Associated Press

LONDON — A class of heart drugs known as ACE inhibitors reduces the risk of heart attacks by nearly a fourth in people with severely damaged hearts, a U.S. study has found.

"Many studies have shown ACE inhibitors decrease mortality. This clearly shows you are preventing heart attacks," said Dr. Salim Yusuf, the investigator and director of cardiology at McMaster University in Hamilton, Ontario.

ACE inhibitors block production of Angiotensin, a naturally occurring chemical that regulates blood pressure

by narrowing blood vessels, and seems to have a role in promoting atherosclerosis.

Recent studies suggest some people prone to heart attacks may have too much of the substance.

The study, published in the latest issue of the Lancet, a British medical journal, is the latest result of a major survey sponsored by the U.S. National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute.

Previously reported results from the study, with fewer patients, had also shown a reduction in heart attack risk.

Previous results from this and other studies showed ACE inhibitors reduce hospital admissions and deaths from heart failure in people

who have suffered heart attacks.

Dr. Yusuf said his team examined people with severely damaged hearts that do not pump enough oxygen through the body. Patients either had previous heart attacks or long-lasting heart disease.

At this point, he does not advise people without damaged hearts to start taking ACE inhibitors, even if they have already survived a heart attack. However, the finding "raises the possibility that ACE inhibitors may play a wider role in heart disease prevention," said Dr. Yusuf.

The study included 6,797 patients from 23 medical centres in the United States,

Canada and Belgium. Half of the patients got 2.5 to 20 milligrams of Enalapril twice daily. The others got Placebo.

After about 40 months, those who got the drug were 23 per cent less likely to suffer heart attacks compared to those who got dummy pills — 288 heart attacks in the drug-treated group versus 362 heart attacks in the Placebo group.

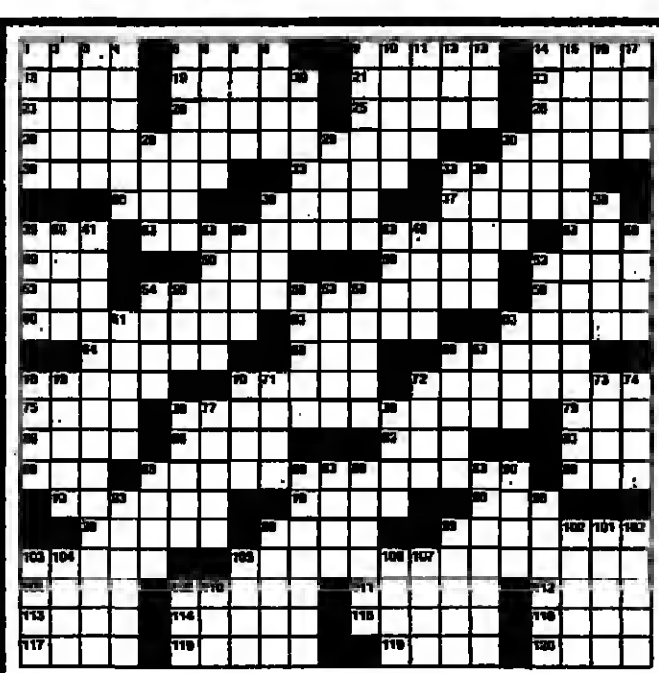
The study also confirmed previous findings that patients taking ACE inhibitors are less likely to suffer from Angina, burning chest pain due to decreased oxygen or spasms in heart vessels — or to die from heart disease.

## WEEKEND CROSSWORD

IRVING!  
By Grace C. Pinkston

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- 1 So
  - 2 Trouper
  - 3 Embrace
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  - 5 Me Serrati
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  - 10 Low go
  - 11 Spa feature
  - 12 Explorer
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  - 16 French priests
  - 17 Verbalism
  - 18 Glib high
  - 19 Conventional
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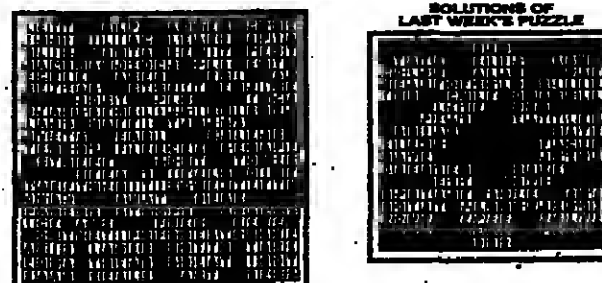


Last Week's Cryptograms

1. Antoon comes to provide a fabulous panorama of beautiful colored leaves.
2. Once a popular monarch's charms alone could have staved off anarchy to save the day.
3. Now, "robber" hood's aren't Robin Hood, and those Mafia madmen in "Goodfellas" ain't Robin Hood.
4. Poorly fitting doors left ajar can be caused by doorjamb being out of plumb.

## CRYPTOGRAMS

1. THJZSZEDY RLC DLE LBBTY DYKKA  
BYXXLP ELKSDSTHJA LE VLP PXXV VY-  
PSXX ZL SJ DVT CHTY. —By Earl Ireland
2. TXZKA ZERTROXT MKXZAL  
MKOZALAU CALI ESKUKI SCAL ROKE  
ESKUKAL. —By Barbara J. Rupp
3. U FOUNI ACW KRAF WAL ENJOW EA COUNT  
U TOF ENJXG EA GOOD EJK GJTW, KUNJTL  
AFTONK BUDDL. —By Lois E. Jones
4. MEITEE AMZ MEAP CPE OCVF, CLVHEAPE  
EAPZ AZ LVFHEV LANE OTEV BIFH. —By Gordon Miller



# 'Half of heart angiograms are not necessary'

By Brenda C. Coleman  
The Associated Press

CHICAGO — About half of angiograms performed to detect blocked heart arteries are unnecessary, researchers have reported.

The study, published in the Journal of the American Medical Association, said that in many cases the X-ray procedure — which can cost \$5,000 — could be skipped or postponed with little added danger to patients.

The conclusion was met with skepticism by other researchers, who said the authors looked at an overly select group.

Coronary angiograms are X-ray movies taken by releasing dye into the heart. They help determine whether blockages in arteries need to be fixed. About 1 million angiograms will be performed in the United States this year.

When serious blockages are found, people often undergo bypass operations or angioplasty, which uses a balloon to clear the arteries.

The problem, according to authors of the study, is that knowing which vessels are clogged can't predict the patient's long-term outlook, partly because many heart attacks are caused by factors other than clogged arteries.

The authors, led by Dr. Thomas B. Graboy of the Harvard University-affiliated Brigham and Women's Hospital in Boston, said 134, or 80 per cent, of 168 patients were judged in the second opinion not to need the procedure. It was recommended in six.

In 28 patients, a delay was recommended, and the procedure was later recommended for three of them.

Four years later, 11 of the 168 had died, seven from heart-related problems. Nineteen patients had suffered heart attacks, and 27 had developed unstable heart pain. A total of 110 patients, 66 per cent, remained well.

Researchers said they could "conclude that an estimated 50 per cent of coronary angiography... is unnecessary, or at least could be postponed."

Dr. Richard Nesto, director of clinical research in cardiology at Harvard-affiliated Deaconess Hospital in Boston, said the patients were not representative.

## SOLUTIONS

### PUZZLES

- The three words are: Gladder; Ladder; Adder.
1. Florence
2. Amsterdam
3. Copenhagen
4. Barcelona
5. Cologne

### TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE!

- Spider.
- Two.
- What do we have to do when we go to sleep? We have to close our eyes. And this is why most fish do sleep as we do. They do not have eyelids that they close. But fish do have to rest, just as we do. So when light dims, they rest. Triggerfish, for example, lie down their sides to rest.

The eye of a fish is similar to ours in many ways. However, there are differences because a fish sees in water while we see in air. As in people, there is an iris that surrounds the lens in fish. The opening in the iris is called the pupil. The pupil in the eye always stays the same size. It does not close in bright light or open in dim light, as ours do.

So if we turn a bright light, the fish may be dazzled. It can close out some of the light, as we can. However, a few fish do have pupils that can narrow.

Most fish also lack a fovea — a spot on the retina where the image comes into sharp focus. In fact, we don't know whether or not a fish's vision is always in focus. Some appear to be farsighted.

And, by the way, fish can't cry. They cannot shed a tear. The reason is they have no tear glands. Their eyes are kept moist by the surrounding water.

But fish have a much larger field of vision than we do. This is because in most fish the eyes are placed on each side of the head, and they see different images out of each eye. They have a large field of vision on both sides.

- Portugal.
- The refraction of bright light from ice crystals in dirt and cirrostratus clouds.



Features

50 Somalia's lost battle

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who received mammograms, those who did not in both groups.

Dr. Elizabeth power between Mr. Aided Canadian Cancer. They are the policemen, her organisation, army and the intelligence, to advise on the relief worker, older to have, like all others who seek physicals, Somalia, does not venture out examination, except under the protection of guinea, whose average is around 16.

Some experts say that the few dozens of mercenaries, Swedes, Britons, Indians and others working in international agencies and with mercenaries for the moment, things not support to the falling over. But Mr. Aided the abnormality, saying the sabres saying the some 9.

"I find it exciting to see the lines of evidence of U.N. flags was 'nothing each other,' said.

Dr. Skolnick said that his colleagues and his people are following the location of the 'Pakistani mercenaries go some 9 abnormal it is now a study job to pluck out study its function.

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Dr. That is, when Iraqis gave Mr. Perri- cioning normally information on their nuclear the growth of the city when they admitted for tumours, but when they engineers heavily involved in the basic es mutated in the of centrifuges. The Iraqis centrifuges to enrich ura- isotopes.

N. experts say they have nated the electro-magnetic ration process Iraq used in its ar programme.

Dr. Perri- cion gave Mr. Perri- cion an ted list of their equipment machinery that has to be ically checked under a term U.N. monitoring pro- gramme which Iraq has accepted principle but not formally.

Dr. Perri- cion said the Iraqis used to give him a thorough, list of equipment and facili- ty subject to monitoring by the gnancy, is not a.

The findings of a press conference after the summit, Mr. Perri- cion said Iraq announced it would be to break on the the weapons programme.

Dr. Perri- cion said that the responsible for the ed growth of the

N. inspectors

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Mr. Perri- cion told reporters that Baghdad had still not complied with U.N. Gulf war ceasefire orders requiring that it name suppliers of materials for its nuclear programme.

"I consider that so long as they are not replying to this, it is considered a violation," he said. "The words of the resolution are very clear in this respect."

Mr. Perri- cion said that disclosure of the supply network was "an absolutely essential part of breaking the backbone of the programme."

Earlier in Baghdad, Mr. Perri- cion said the Iraqis can close gaps in their nuclear information by supplying a complete list of the companies and individuals who assisted them, in their nuclear programme.

He said he regretted that the Iraqis were not forthcoming in providing the U.N. with "procurement data" which he described as "the easiest and shortest way" for Baghdad if it wanted "a clean bill of nuclear health."

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Defiant Bhutto

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of Ms. Bhutto's vehicle before she sped to the park in Rawalpindi. She was arrested at the park.

In Lahore, a government stronghold, witnesses said some 200 of Ms. Bhutto's supporters threw rocks at riot police, who fired back with tear gas. Demonstrators set one policeman on fire, critically injuring him, they said.

Marehars also clashed with security forces in the northern city of Peshawar, where one supporter was hit by a tear gas canister and critically injured. Minor clashes were reported in other major cities.

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delegation to discuss the mechanism of the Israeli withdrawal from Lebanon then we will agree," he said.

"But if the military delegation is to talk about security matters then the idea is rejected."

Israeli negotiators in Washington said on Tuesday they gave the Lebanese delegation a written proposal for a meeting between military officers from the two countries to discuss outstanding security problems.

Meanwhile, security sources said Israel had pulled out nine more howitzers from South Lebanon, an indication that prospects of a major outbreak of violence between the Jewish state and guerrilla factions may have decreased.

That brought down to 26 the overall number of howitzers deployed by Israel in the 1,100-square-kilometre "security zone."

Israel deployed 70 howitzers in the zone last week as tension heightened in the south between its troops and Hizbollah guerrillas.

Hillary Clinton expected to play activist role in White House

By Nita Lelyveld  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Hillary Rodham Clinton hasn't talked about what she'll do as the United States' next first lady. But early indications are that she'll soon let down her guard and play an open and substantive role in her husband's presidency.

She participated in the discussions at President-elect Clinton's dinner with top congressional Democrats in Little Rock, Ark. Mr. Clinton made a point of saying so at his news conference the next morning.

He also made it clear Mrs. Clinton wasn't just playing hostess, but "knew more than we did about some things."

Mr. Clinton's comments are likely to raise the hopes of many who see potential for a new kind of first lady in the 45-year-old lawyer who has always had a career outside the home.

In some ways, the hopes of a generation of women rest on her shoulders.

Hillary Clinton has been married to Bill Clinton since 1975. They have a 12-year-old daughter, Chelsea. But Mrs. Clinton is also a high-powered lawyer who has served on major corporate boards, and she's known to be her husband's closest adviser.

"People will have to adjust to a new phenomenon, having a first lady who's always had a career outside the home and who's been effective in the business world," said Ruth Harkin, a successful Washington lawyer and the wife of Iowa Sen. Tom Harkin. "It's still hard for some people to imagine."

Historian Betty Boyd Caroli, author of "First Ladies," says Mrs. Clinton will be the first

president's wife to come to the White House firmly committed to the causes she plans to espouse there.

"Hillary Clinton is different because she approaches them from her professional life as opposed to as a do-gooder, which has been the way with most others," Mr. Caroli said.

Mrs. Clinton has been a children's advocate since she graduated from Yale Law School and became a staff attorney and later a board member of the non-profit Children's Defense Fund in Washington.

Author Gary Wills calls her "one of the more important scholar-activists of the last two decades" for her writing on children's legal rights.

Mrs. Clinton will not practice law in the White House. She has said only that she will be "a voice for children" and a role model.

But Jan Piercy, a Wellesley classmate of Mrs. Clinton's who has been her friend since 1965, said Mrs. Clinton won't just be a showpiece. She'll be an activist, spreading ideas and keeping her husband in touch with the people, Mr. Piercy said.

Over the past year, Mrs. Clinton has been compared often to Eleanor Roosevelt, who played a very active role in the White House, talking policy and advocating women's rights.

Early in the campaign, Mrs. Clinton spoke of Mrs. Roosevelt as her ideal. But in the final weeks, she wouldn't even go that far.

"I've seen where people are asked who they think was the best first lady or the most effective first lady, she (Eleanor Roosevelt) usually comes out on top," Mrs. Clinton said in an



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31 competitions gear-up for final 1992 National Rally

By Aileen Bannayan  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — Thirty one participants Thursday began competing in the last national rally of the year organized by the Royal Automobile Club of Jordan (RACJ).

The rally, set to begin at 7 p.m. Thursday night from the Amman International Motor Show, will be unique in that it will take place during the night and will be held on entirely asphalt roads, covering a total distance of 273.63 kilometers in the north of the Kingdom.

There are eight special stages at Masara, Ras Al Aqra, Soof and Kufir Khal with a total distance of 50 kilometers which are hoped to give a hard time to even the most seasoned drivers.

Cars will have a regrouping and servicing halt at the Jerash Resthouse by 10 p.m. The second and last stage begins an hour later and competitors are expected back at RACJ headquarters in Amman by 2 a.m. Friday.

As the results of the rally are entered in the Drivers Open Championship of Jordan, completing the route and furthermore achieving advanced standing will be of utmost importance — especially for the leading drivers.

Marwan Abu Hamad, who now has first place in the standings with 166 points is anticipating an excellent result to keep his overall lead in the championship standings.

"I'm definitely aiming for the win. I've practised a lot and I hope I can achieve my goal," Abu Hamad told the Jordan Times.

Abu Hamad driving a Toyota Celica GT has had impressive results this year. He took part in



Marwan Abu Hamad in his Toyota Celica GT

the season's events including the Qatar, Lebanon and Jordan rallies. He finished 7th overall, first among Jordanian drivers and first in his class in the Jordan Rally. He is currently second in Group N in the Middle East Championship.

"Although it's much more fun driving in a desert rally, this rally will however depend a lot on the skill of the drivers. It will be a tough competition," Abu Hamad added.

Reimon Fleifel driving a Toyota Corolla G1 is second in the overall championship standings with 135 points. He also said he expects a hard competition. "I'm quite ready and I have some experience driving in such a rally,

but I'm sure I'll have tough competition from Marwan."

Majdi Al Jallad, who is third behind Abu Hamad and Fleifel with 107 points said he hoped to improve his standing and win Class 2 in his Toyota Celica GT.

"This rally will be a tough one, especially for those who will be driving in such conditions for the first time," Jallad told the Jordan Times. "I anticipate an interesting competition as many top drivers who have been away from

competitions are back in rally. The curves and narrow roads will test the skill of the drivers unlike desert rallies in which the strength of the car makes the big difference."

Another top ranked driver, Ghaith Bilbeisi also agreed that the rally will be a big test of drivers' skills. "There will certainly be some tough competition as split seconds will make a difference from the outset of the rally in the special stages." Other top contenders include Issa Halabi in a Nissan 210, Naser Bustami in a Ford Fiesta XR2i, Bishara Qaz'or in a Datsun 160J, Tareq Taha' in a Renault 17 Gordini, and Mahmoud Komok in a Nissan 240RS.

Preliminary results of the Pepsi-sponsored rally will be announced at RACJ Friday morning. Final results and presentation of awards will take place Friday evening.

Jordan leads Bulls to fifth victory

The Associated Press

MICHAEL JORDAN scored 32 points, Horace Grant added 24 and Scottie Pippen had 12 assists — all in the first three quarters — carrying the Chicago Bulls to their fifth consecutive victory, 124-103 over the Minnesota Timberwolves Tuesday night.

It was the second straight blow-out win for the two-time defending NBA champions, whose first four victories were by a combined 18 points.

Chuck Person had 26 points and 12 rebounds for the Timberwolves, now 0-7 against Chicago since joining the league in 1989. 90. Christian Laettner, Minnesota's No. 1 draft choice, finished with 17 points.

Jordan has led the Bulls in scoring each of their seven games. Grant, who made 10 of 12 shots, came within four of his career scoring high.

Bulls 101, Celtics 97

In Landover, Harvey Grant matched his career high with 34 points, and Washington held off a late Boston rally to beat the struggling Celtics.

Reggie Lewis and Xavier McDaniel each scored 17 points for the Celtics, whose 2-5 start is the worst since going 1-6 in 1978-79 the season before Larry Bird joined the team.

The Celtics trailed 88-82 with 7:52 left, but Kevin McHale hit a hook in the lane to start a 6-0 run that tied it. The Bulls led 90-89 when Grant hit a running jumper in the lane, but Lewis and McHale scored to give Boston a 93-92 advantage with 2:03 to go.

Pacers 128, Nuggets 98

In Indianapolis, Rik Smits enjoyed another big game against

Denver, scoring 27 points in 23 minutes as Indiana rolled to its fourth straight victory.

The Pacers have won the last seven meetings against the Nuggets in a span covering four seasons.

The Nuggets, led by Chris Jackson with 23 points, have lost five straight games, four of them on the road.

Smits has had the top three scoring games of his career against the Nuggets — 34, 32 and 31 points. Reggie Miller added 17 points for Indiana, and Pooh Richardson had 15 points and 12 assists.

Jazz 108, Nets 97

In East Rutherford, New Jersey, Karl Malone had 29 points and 16 rebounds as Utah took command early in the second half against New Jersey.

The win was the 10th in a row the Jazz over the Nets. It was also Utah's third road win this year without a loss, the best start away from home the team has ever had.

The Jazz reeled off the first nine points of the second half, including four by Ty Corbin and three by Malone, to open a 64-49 lead.

After Nets baskets by Drazen Petrovic and Rafael Addison, the Jazz scored 10 of the next 14 points for a 74-57 lead with 3:56 to play.

Petrovic and Kenny Anderson each scored 25 points for the Nets. It was a career high for Anderson.

Warriors 125, Heat 119

In Miami, Tim Hardaway scored 10 of his 26 points in the final three minutes as Golden State snapped a four-game losing streak by winning at Miami.

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FORECAST FOR FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20, 1992

By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

GENERAL TENDENCIES: Take the middle course in any important decisions after you have listened carefully to what advisers have to say at it is more than likely that you don't have complete information under the existing triple Moon Square.

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) You are apt to be fearful that you will not have enough to spare for your needs and decide on a constructive attitude by which you can solve this problem.

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) You do not feel that you are progressing as you wish in personal direction but a little more thought and less deliberation then brings the right answer.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) Make a point to study every phase of whatever practical problems or issues that face you and do not arrive at a decision on just how best to handle them.

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) It is a good idea not to become too involved in an acquaintance's financial affairs now or you later find you have to bail that person out.

LEO: (July 22 to August 21) Take no chance where your own outside vocational activities are concerned and you save yourself trouble of difficult explanation or retracking work done.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) You think some new venture

HOROSCOPE

FORECAST FOR THURSDAY NOVEMBER 19, 1992

By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

GENERAL TENDENCIES: In the midst of a considerable amount of unexpected activity as the Moon in Libra tentacles Pluto, Mars, Sun and Mercury, you are well advised to stick to principles and precepts you found suitable in the past.

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) This is your day to consider all aspects of your business life and just what you can do to so handle practical matters so you have greater income.

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) This can be a day of a big struggle between you and an associate who is just as determined as you unless you have a conciliatory attitude.

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) It is a good chance now for you to take note of what restrictions are presently in your life and find what you can do to eliminate them by your tasks.

MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) You need to be more conscious with what you can do in join forces better with your close companions and the one you love the most.

LEO: (July 22 to August 21) A conflict can rage within you on how much time and effort you should be spending at home and the amount required to attend to outside activities.

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Some definite changes are indicated at this time even though

are not quick in happening prepared for them to me appearance for you.

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) The manner in which attend in accounts and bills is vital today so devise a whereby you can use to the modern formulas.

SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) You go after what you in a very purposeful fashion but you will find another id equally determined to have way.

SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to December 21) Many take usual nature if done in an manner now can lift the burden some secret worry that has to be unending.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to January 20) You have a upon a personal wish or conduct to gain your ends a have a good chance of being successful if you use extra caution.

AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) Stick to handling your home as well as possible put off those outside concerns also need to be done until a propitious time.

PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) Look for ways to do your duties and routines to that the be expanded far beyond t arises into new course of be

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By Harris



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by Henri Arnold and Bob La

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Yesterday's Jumbles: BROOK ENJOY KNOTTY DRIVE

Answer: When a hole was discovered in the nuclear LOOK INTO IT

ATP World Championship

Sampras downs Becker, Edberg beats Korda

FRANKFURT (AP) — Pete Sampras learned how to handle a hostile crowd. He also taught Boris Becker a couple of new shots.

The American, who is the defending champion, also survived 15 aces by Becker to win his opening match at the ATP World Championship Tuesday, beating Becker 7-6, 7-6.

Sampras is ranked third in the world and could claim the No. 1 spot if he wins the tournament. That also depends on the performance of No. 1 Jim Courier and No. 2 Stefan Edberg.

Edberg, seeking to regain the No. 1 ranking for the third time this year, beat Peter Korda 6-3, 6-3 in his opening match.

Courier had a day off Tuesday, and will face Richard Krajicek later on.

The ATP World Championship pits the top eight players in the world. They are split into two round-robin groups, with the top

two in each advancing to the semifinals.

Courier, Ivanisevic, Chang and Krajicek are in the Rod Laver group, while Edberg, Sampras, Korda and Becker are in the Ken Rosewall group.

In the last match of the day Goran Ivanisevic beat Michael Chang 7-6, 6-2.

Sampras and Becker gave a powerful display of serve-and-volley tennis, never breaking each other.

"The crowd was really starting to get into it but kept my concentration," Sampras said of the moment when he was down 30-40 with Becker leading 5-4.

Becker hit a forehand long and Sampras scored with two volleys to even the score.

The American took a 2-0 lead in the tiebreaker with an incredible shot. Becker placed a drop volley close to the net. Sampras raced across the court and sent back a shot that skimmed the

cord and dropped at the base of the net.

A stunned Becker offered his palm for Sampras to slap.

"I've never seen a shot like that. I had to give him a low-five. I had to take off my hat," Becker said.

Edberg overwhelmed Korda at the start of the match, storming into a 3-0 lead.

He fought off four points, including one that would have given Korda the ninth game. Edberg clinched the set with a service winner.

Korda, ranked sixth in the world, committed his fourth double-fault of the match to fall behind 6-5 and give Edberg the chance to wrap up the match.

But the Swede suffered his only break of the match and Korda forced the match into a tiebreaker.

After a close battle, Edberg finally prevailed, 11-9, converting his third match point to win the

encounter in one hour, 47 minutes.

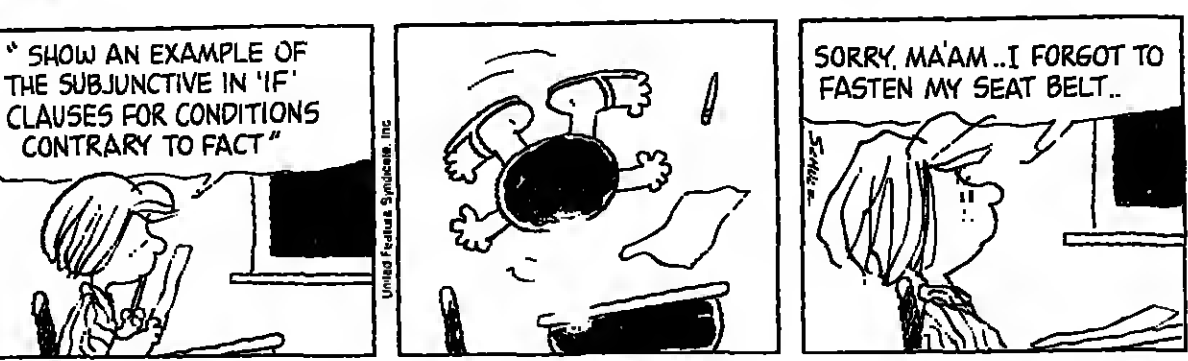
McNeil ousts Graf in Virginia Slims Championships

Lori McNeil, the lowest-ranked player in the field, shocked second-seeded Steffi Graf in the opening round of the Virginia Slims Championships Tuesday night, ousting the former two-time champion 7-6 (7-1), 6-4.

It was the biggest victory of McNeil's nine-year career and her first over Graf, who had ruled women's tennis with an iron hand only three years ago.

Graf had come into the Slims Championships on a roll, having won her last four tournaments since being ousted in the quarter-finals of the U.S. Open in September. Among the victims in her 20-match win streak were seven of the 16 players in this elite field, including McNeil. But not this time.

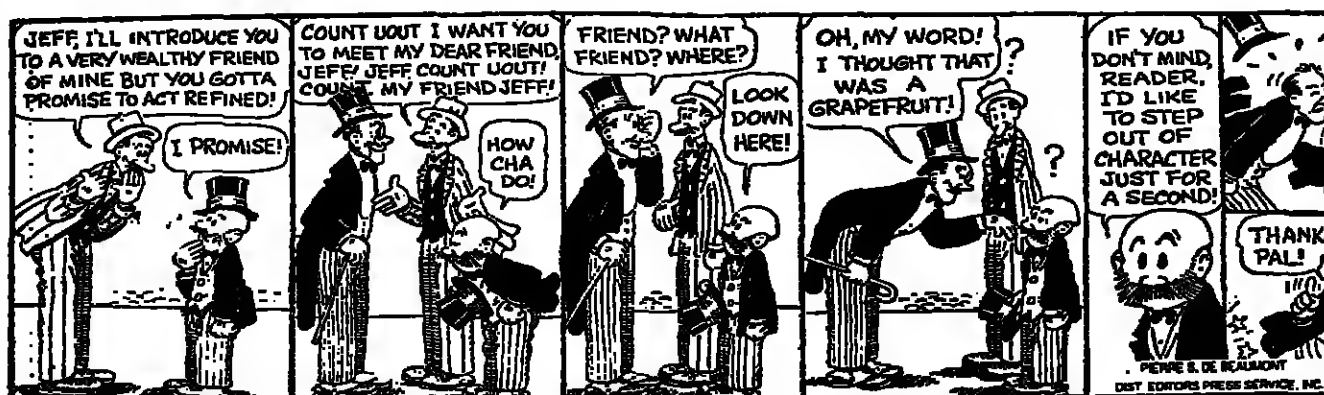
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Q.2—As South, vulnerable, you hold: ♠A1073 ♣A95 ♣KQ3 ♣73 Partner opens the bidding with one heart. What do you respond? A.—In support of either major, you have more than enough to insist on game. If you play that a jump raise in a major is a game force, jump to three hearts. Otherwise, wheel out whatever gadget you use to announce a forcing raise.

Q.3—As South, vulnerable, you hold: ♠A1073 ♣A95 ♣KQ3 ♣73 Partner opens the bidding with one no trump. What do you respond? A.—You are in the slam zone, but because of your ruffing value in clubs the hand should play better in a suit if a 4-4 fit exists. To explore that possibility, start with the Stayman Convention. Bid two clubs.

Q.4—As South, vulnerable, you hold: ♠A1073 ♣A95 ♣KQ3 ♣73 Partner opens the bidding with one no trump. What do you respond? A.—Regardless of whether you play a 15-17 or 16-18 range for your no-trump opening bids, you don't have quite enough to commit the hand to slam. Jump to four no trump to invite partner to bid slam if he has a maximum one-no-trump bid.

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# Economy

**Financial Markets**  
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Currency	NEW YORK CLOSE	TOKYO CLOSE
Sterling Pound	1.5215	1.5240
Deutsche Mark	1.5923	1.5900
Swiss Franc	1.4475	1.4463
French Franc	5.3625	5.3688
Japanese Yen	124.40	124.22
European Currency Unit	1.2365	1.2366

Currency	1 MTH	3 MTHS	6 MTHS	12 MTHS
U.S. Dollar	3.06	3.37	3.51	4.18
Sterling Pound	7.12	7.00	6.67	6.50
Deutsche Mark	5.87	5.87	5.50	7.57
Swiss Franc	6.50	6.81	6.62	6.25
French Franc	9.38	9.38	9.13	8.62
Japanese Yen	3.75	3.71	3.56	3.56
European Currency Unit	10.12	10.19	9.71	9.12

Currency	Bid	Offer
U.S. Dollar	0.688	0.690
Sterling Pound	1.0464	1.0516
Deutsche Mark	0.4322	0.4344
Swiss Franc	0.4751	0.4775
French Franc	0.1263	0.1269
Japanese Yen	0.5529	0.5557
Dutch Guilder	0.3643	0.3662
Swedish Krona	0.1148	0.1154
Italian Lira	0.0506	0.0509
Belgian Franc	0.02102	0.02113

Currency	Bid	Offer
Saudi Riyal	1.7990	1.8150
Chinese Lira	0.0340	0.0370
Audi Riyal	0.1830	0.1840
Israeli Lira	2.2850	2.3000
Israeli Lira	0.1864	0.1874
Egyptian Pound	0.2000	0.2100
Indian Rupee	1.7550	1.7690
Japanese Yen	0.1864	0.1874
Greek Drachma	0.3300	0.3650
Syrian Pound	1.4500	1.4700

Index	16/11/92	Close	17/11/92	Close
All-Share	158.12		158.41	
Banking Sector	117.98		117.79	
Insurance Sector	174.74		175.49	
Industry Sector	209.71		210.63	
Services Sector	226.59		227.34	

## LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for sterling world currencies and gold against the dollar at midsession the London Foreign Exchange and bullion markets Wednesday.

Currency	1.5195/205	U.S. dollars
U.S. dollar	1.2775/80	Canadian dollar
	1.5892/902	Deutsche mark
	1.7870/80	Dutch guilder
	1.4485/95	Swiss franc
	32.60/64	Belgian franc
	5.3600/50	French franc
	1353/1355	Italian lire
	124.30/35	Japanese yen
	5.5930/80	Swedish crown
	6.4610/60	Norwegian crown
	6.0810/60	Danish crown
ounce of gold	\$335.35/\$35.85	

## Philippine senator proposes referendum on debt

**MANILA (R)** — A Philippine senator has criticized the government for alleged subservience to foreign creditors and proposed a referendum on how to handle the foreign debt problem.

Opposition senator Arturo Tolentino said that because of the country's heavy indebtedness, "we have virtually lost our independence."

"We have practically become a vassal of the IMF (International Monetary Fund), which makes obnoxious impositions upon us," he said in a speech to the senate.

Manila has a total foreign debt of \$29 billion. Finance Secretary Ramon del Rosario said it has become less of a burden because of various debt restructuring and debt reduction schemes.

"We only want to live within our means, and to pay only what we can afford to give our creditors without sacrificing our own people," said Mr. Tolentino, who was foreign secretary under late dictator Ferdinand Marcos.

## Ukraine embarks on plan to tackle economic plight

**KIEV (R)** — Ukraine has embarked on overdue reforms, raising interest rates and introducing an exchange rate for its pseudo-currency as initial steps to jolt the country out of what top officials say is economic disaster.

The measures, outlined to parliament by Economics Minister Viktor Pynzenyk, appeared to end months of indecision and bickering by competing state institutions as inflation spiralled and living standards plummeted.

"Look at the streets of our cities, including our capital. Our compatriots are rummaging in rubbish bins for something to eat," Mr. Pynzenyk, 38, told deputies.

"This is a tragedy, a shame on us all. Our production has not fallen so much to force our citizens to live in this way. It is the result of populist decision-making," he pointed out.

Interest rates in the former Soviet republic were hoisted from 30 to 80 per cent annually — in line with those in neighbouring Russia — as part of a drive to tame inflation of about 30 per cent a month.

Production over the first 10 months of the year is down 9.7 per cent on 1991, but the rate of decline is slowing.

The exchange rate of the coupon, a temporary currency introduced in January, was set at

1.454 to the Russian rouble four days after authorities announced they would no longer allow the rouble to be used for accounting purposes.

The rate was virtually the same as that offered by black market traders and ended months of accounting fiction during which the coupon was pitched at par with the Russian currency.

Mr. Pynzenyk, appointed last month under new military industrial Prime Minister Leonid Kuchma, also announced an increase in the minimum wage to 2,300 coupons a month — up from less than 1,000.

Butter, when available, costs more than 200 coupons per kilogramme. Sugar, available for ration coupons per kilogramme and a loaf of bread is worth about 25 coupons.

He told deputies that the current budget deficit totalled some 44 per cent of gross national product, well above limits set by the International Monetary Fund as a condition for granting Ukraine aid.

"Ask any Western expert what this means," Mr. Pynzenyk later told a television interviewer. "It's

the utter collapse of the state's financial system."

A top government expert on the same programme said current economic indicators made Ukraine "a unique example of a parasitic society, never seen before."

Mr. Pynzenyk said Mr. Kuchma would present the government's detailed reform plan to parliament Thursday and ask for additional powers to introduce stringent measures unhindered.

"There is a lot of talk now about emergency measures," he said. "Well, given the current state of affairs, surely no emergency measures could possibly frighten our people."

In another order, President Leonid Kravchuk dissolved Ukraine's government body responsible for refining and distribution of oil after allegations of widespread corruption in the industry.

Mr. Kuchma told parliament shortly after his appointment he had encountered "blatant plundering" in the industry, with large amounts of oil sold to foreign buyers without any benefit to the country.

## Chicago traders to wager on disaster contracts

**WASHINGTON (R)** — The world's leading futures exchange has won regulatory approval to trade futures contracts based on losses that insurance companies may suffer from hurricanes, earthquakes, floods, fires and other disasters in the United States.

The contracts on the Chicago Board of Trade are part of an effort by the innovative exchange to expand from its traditional business of offsetting risk for the likes of pork-belly and soybean farmers.

It added highly successful treasury bond futures 15 years ago and now plans to launch pollution futures, health insurance futures, homeowners insurance and catastrophe insurance contracts over the coming year.

The new catastrophe insurance futures will be unveiled at a time when America's 1,050 insurance companies face unprecedented losses.

Hurricanes that devastated parts of Florida, Hawaii, Guam and Louisiana earlier this year are estimated to have cost over \$16 billion in insured catastrophe losses. Claims from the Los Angeles riots, Texas and Chicago floods and U.S. Great Plains hailstorms add another \$2 billion.

These disasters follow \$6.4 billion in losses between 1989 and 1991 from hurricane Hugo, California earthquakes and fires. Some insurers are collapsing under the weight of the claims.

The catastrophe insurance con-

tracts, which the Chicago Board of Trade plans to start trading on Dec. 11, are designed to help the industry manage the risk from devastating losses.

They were approved unanimously by the Commodity Futures Trading Commission without discussion.

## Dubai's non-oil foreign trade value soars

**DUBAI (R)** — The value of non-oil foreign trade in Dubai has soared by 47 per cent in the first quarter of 1992, a boost to the Gulf emirate's efforts to diversify its economy before its oil runs out early in the next century.

Ahmad Al Bana, head of research at the Dubai Chamber of Commerce and Industry, said the value of foreign trade went up to 29.2 billion dirhams (\$7.9 billion) in the first quarter of 1992 compared to 19.9 billion dirhams (\$5.4 billion) in the same period of last year.

Local newspapers quoted him as saying imports went up by 52.6 per cent, exports by 20.8 per cent and reexports by 31.3 per cent.

Imports totalled \$6.3 billion, exports \$430 million and reexports \$1.71 billion.

He said Japan was the top exporter to Dubai. The United States came second while China took third place.

## Iraq tells OPEC to curb oil output

**BAGHDAD (R)** — Iraq said Wednesday OPEC members had to cut oil production to make way for its future exports, banned for more than two years under a United Nations trade embargo.

"Once Iraq is in the market, the rest of the member states should curtail their production to avoid exceeding the total OPEC output as well as a collapse of prices," Oil Minister Usama Al Hiti told the English-language daily The Baghdad Observer.

Mr. Hiti said the ban on Iraqi oil exports, part of a blanket U.N. trade embargo imposed in response to its 1990 invasion of Kuwait, had "created an immoral situation within OPEC."

"They (OPEC members) began to compete to reach the highest production levels," Mr. Hiti said in the newspaper interview.

He cited Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Iran as examples of members exceeding their quotas. "They are producing at their maximum capacity. And this has created some sort of discord that has severely shaken OPEC."

Mr. Hiti said Iraq's absence from the market was the reason behind current overproduction.

The electoral defeat of U.S. President George Bush has created an atmosphere of optimism in Iraq that oil exports will resume once President-elect Bill Clinton takes office in January.

Iraqi Deputy Prime Minister Tariq Aziz has asked to address the U.N. Security Council later this month, presumably on easing the embargo.

Mr. Hiti has stated repeatedly that Iraq's reentry to the market would not be harmful to the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) but warned earlier this month that it

would not be to the benefit of member countries not to let Iraq obtain its fair share of world markets.

But he also pledged that Iraq would closely work with other OPEC members to stabilise prices.

He said Iraq adhered to \$21 as the lowest acceptable price for one barrel and other OPEC member states should not accept a lower rate. "The current OPEC basket price is \$18.78 a barrel."

Mr. Hiti said the status quo would remain as long as the embargo on its oil continued.

Iraq in the past intervened directly to stop any quota busting by OPEC member states, he added.

He said this took place when Kuwait exceeded its quota before the emirate was annexed in 1990. Before the August 1990 invasion, Baghdad accused Kuwait of "stabbing it in the back with a poison dagger" through deliberately excessive production to lower prices and undermine the Iraqi economy.

Mr. Hiti put the cost of damage inflicted on Iraqi oil installations by the allied bombing during the Gulf war at \$6 billion. But he said Iraq's refineries were now working "at greater capacity than before (the U.S.-led) aggression."

He said Iraq was keeping a close watch over its border oil fields.

If a neighbouring country tried to increase oil production from a border field "we will insist on having our full share."

A U.N. border demarcation commission had ruled that six oil wells exploited by Iraq in the shared Rumaila oilfield are on Kuwait's side of the border.

But Mr. Hiti recently reiterated that the six wells belonged to Iraq "and will remain Iraq."

## Minolta's net loss rises

**TOKYO (R)** — Hit by a worldwide slump in camera sales and a dependence on exports hit by the rising yen, Minolta Camera Co. has posted a bigger parent net loss in the first half of the business year. The company announced a parent net loss of 2.93 billion yen (\$23.6 million) for the six months ended Sept. 30, against a 2.34 billion (\$18.9 million) net loss in the same period last year. It said it expected hard times to continue.

Minolta, which gets 75 per cent of its revenues from exports, said it plans to emphasise domestic sales of office equipment and shift production abroad to reduce its exposure to exchange rate fluctuations and the flagging camera market. "It's a tough environment," a Minolta spokesman said.

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